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## SAYS PUBLIC HAS WRONG CONCEPTION OF PRICE LEVEL

Several Local Merchants Believe Price Slashing of Last Fall Will Make Present Scale Appear Comparatively High—Manufacturers Making Effort to Restore Public Confidence.

Price slashing of last fall has created a false level in the minds of people concerning what may be expected for the spring, according to several local merchants who have recently returned from eastern markets. Although goods have in reality declined under the level of even last spring, the "rock bottom" reductions that featured sales of the fall will make the new scale appear comparatively high. Goods are still considerably above pre war level, it is pointed out, and there is doubt in the minds of a majority of the merchants as to whether they will ever again reach the former scale. Last fall, it is said, merchants were obliged to move stocks at almost any sacrifice in order to get the goods off their shelves and liquidate their obligations. This helped force the scale of prices to a lower depth than was at all normal.

According to one local merchant, there will probably be a decline in prices for the next three years but it will be a most gradual one. Any radical drop would entail a drastic cut in wages as well as the prices paid for raw materials, and this would be certain to work a hardship.

### Merchants Buying Light.

Prices this spring will be made more attractive, however, because of the fact that merchants are buying light and at the new scale of prices. This will result in a reduction on the part of the manufacturers in order to induce heavier buying. The biggest decline thus far, it is said, is in the price of cotton goods. Silks, too, have slumped on the market. This is largely responsible for the market reduction in the price of ladies' wear which one merchant characterized as having declined fifty per cent. Men's clothes were placed at forty per cent lower by the same merchant. Shoes, too, have at last dropped in price and can be obtained at more nearly the former prices.

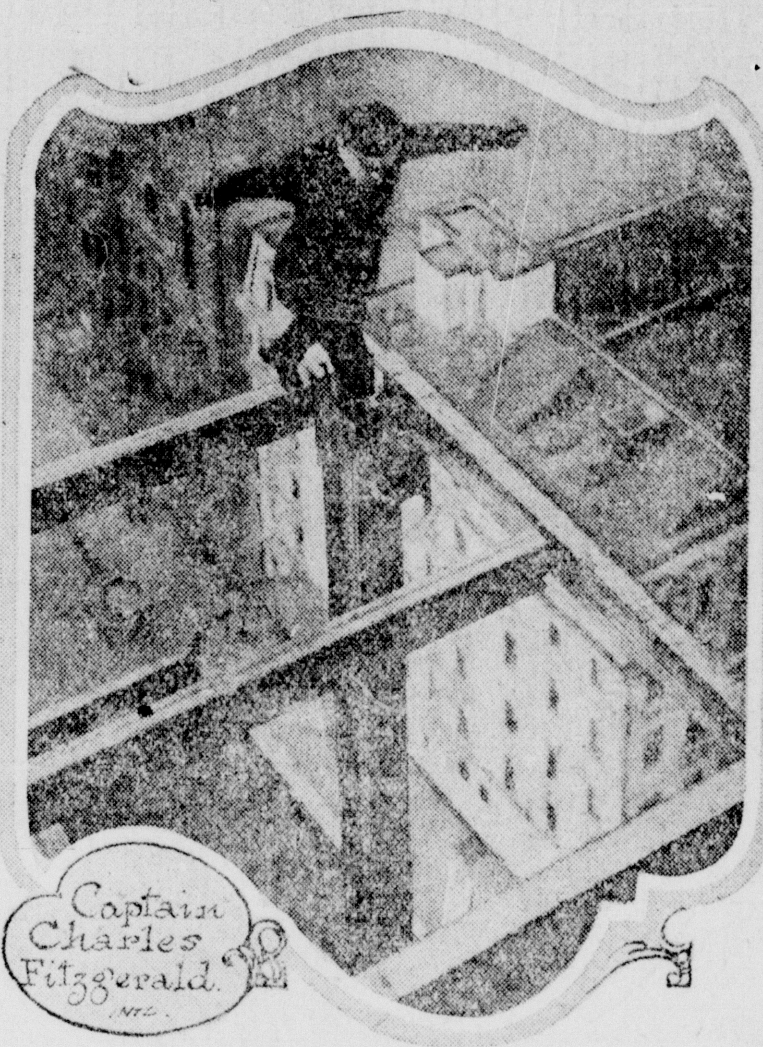
The proprietor of a local notion store states that eastern manufacturers are optimistic over prospects for the future. It is said that these operators will be content if they can continue to pay wages and operating expenses over this year and make a bare profit. It is hoped, said this merchant, the people will cease crying for lower prices in order that the merchant may make future contracts with the manufacturers and thus steady trade.

Articles will probably never reach the pre war level, in the opinion of this dealer, and in his estimation they are as low as they will be in the next six months.

A third buyer who has just returned from the east illustrated the scale of prices by means of a graph. Prices next spring will not be markedly below those of last spring, according to this merchant, because of the fact that a year ago goods were sold on the basis of prices contracted for the preceding fall when the scale was still on the increase. Although goods in the spring were in reality high, they had been bought six months before when prices were more reasonable, and thus the dealer was able to sell them comparatively reasonable. The peak in prices, it is pointed out, was reached last August, and after that the scale began to diminish. However, goods sold this spring were contracted for last fall after the peak had not long passed, and consequently must be sold on that basis. This will make the level seem comparatively high for this season, the merchant said.

Too, he said, labor is not declining in proportion to other factors. Wage earners who formerly received \$15 a week have been getting \$45, and although there has been some reduction amounting on an average to about ten per cent or even twenty, they are still receiving twice as much as formerly. People wanted low prices, said this dealer, and then when they came the people found they did not want them after all. Cotton was the first product struck a severe blow, and now sentiment is rightly in favor of an increase in the price of this product. On an average, said this merchant, goods will be about ten per cent cheaper than they were last spring.

## "GIRDER GLIDE"—SOME FOX TROT.



Captain Charles N. Fitzgerald, aviator and head of the New York Air Police, is the originator and is seen practicing the step atop a New York skyscraper some 700 or 800 feet above Broadway. The "girder glide," it might be assumed, gives one that nice of poise so much to be desired. To practise it, pick out a new skyscraper and hop from girder to girder, but leave your accident insurance policy home on the piano.

## DEVELOPMENT TO START IN EARNEST

SIGLER DRILLING COMPANY PLAN TO START SEVERAL NEW WELLS.

Considerable development may be looked for in the Sigler field, according to one of the officials of the Sigler Drilling Company, in view of the fact that it is planned to put down new wells in the near future. One, on the Hegwood lease, one-half mile south of the H. and F. and one and one-eighth miles southwest of Sigler number 1, will spud in tomorrow, according to George L. Hegwood of Omaha, associated with Lloyd Sigler in the drilling company. Work on erecting a derrick was started Sunday, the machinery and equipment was moved to the location, and all is now in readiness to start.

Another location has been made one and one-quarter miles north of the present Pyramid location, and it is expected to start drilling there within thirty days. The lease is held by the Sigler Drilling Co.

"We are going ahead with development in the field," said Mr. Hegwood this morning. "Progress has necessarily been somewhat slow recently, but we are going to start out now in earnest."

### MUST PAY AUTO LICENSES.

City Police Will Prosecute Those Who Have Not Bought Seals And Do Not Display Them.

Automobile licenses must be paid for by March 1 and displayed plainly on all cars, according to an announcement made yesterday by Marshal R. H. Bratton. Those who do not comply with this regulation will be promptly prosecuted, he said. The state highway license must be displayed along with the serial number.

"Too many persons pay for their licenses and then forget to put them on the cars," said Mr. Bratton. "There is no way for us to know that they have them at home when we stop them, and that sort of story will not go. The law is very clear upon that subject."

Motorists are also cautioned to make adjustments in their lights. Many cars, said the police officer, have but one headlight and no tail lights. These must be remedied immediately to meet with the requirements of the law.

### Mill Has Ferrets to Catch Rats.

Two ferrets are in possession of the Kell Mill with which to catch rats. According to A. C. Rayzor, the little animals are wonderfully effective in routing out the rodents and are causing many to quit the vicinity of the mill. The ferrets drive down into the rat holes and fight the animals. Ferrets do not eat the rats, said Mr. Rayzor, but after killing them suck their blood.

## VERNON MOTHER IS CHOSEN FOR HONOR

MRS. C. J. FARRELL MADE A DIRECTOR IN STATE ORGANIZATION.

At a recent meeting of the board of managers of the Texas Congress of Mothers Mrs. C. J. Farrell of Vernon was elected a member of the board of directors of that organization. Mrs. Farrell has accepted the honor and is the only lady chosen from West Texas. She was president of the first district for 1919 and 1920, and six years previous served as vice-president. Other members of the board are Mrs. Pat Neff, wife of Texas' governor; Mrs. William Hobby, wife of ex-governor of Texas; Miss Annie Webb Blanton, state superintendent of schools; Mrs. E. A. Watters of Fort Worth; Mrs. Ella Caruthers Porter of Dallas; Mrs. J. S. Turner of Dallas; Mrs. W. B. Toome of Lampasas; Mrs. J. G. McGrady of El Paso; and Mrs. Worth Jones of Mexico.

### Is Charter Member.

Mrs. Farrell is a charter member of the Texas Congress of Mothers having gone from here in 1909 to Dallas as the mayor's delegate when the organization was founded. She has since been very active in its work.

"Child Welfare" is the motto of the Texas Congress of Mothers and the body works hand in hand with the Parent-Teachers Association. The two organizations have been given an office at the State Capitol and a bill is now pending before the Legislature asking for an appropriation of \$12,000 for extension work by the two societies. Miss Annie Webb Blanton, state superintendent of schools, is sponsor of the bill.

### ALL DAY MEETING WEDNESDAY.

Oklahoma Home Improvement Club Will Have Demonstration On Hat Making.

Hat making will be the program for the Oklahoma Home Improvement Club Wednesday. The meeting will be held with Mrs. Logan Creager, and will continue all day.

Miss Edith Lacey, home demonstration agent, and Miss Eula Goodfellow, assistant in home economics, will give the demonstration.

Women are requested to bring their lunch.

### Coins for Fuses May Start Fires.

Numerous homes in Vernon are in danger of fire, according to J. N. Johnson, manager of the local public service company, because owners are putting coins behind plugs leading into the house instead of using fuses. In the event there is a defective wire inside flames may quickly be started, he said. Many house owners put a penny behind a plug when lights go out and forget to replace it with a fuse.

## ROAD OVERSEERS IN COUNTY CUT DOWN IN NUMBER

Commissioners' Court Decides To Make Individuals Responsible For More Territory—Road Reports Slow in Coming In—Appoint New Overseers for County.

The number of road overseers in commissioners' precincts in Wilbarger county has been reduced this week by the court in order to make a more effective system of highway supervision. The lines of all the commissioners' precincts have also been changed, some of the road precincts in these being consolidated, while in others additional precincts have been added.

Under the system of road supervision recently in vogue, one overseer was responsible for a comparatively short stretch of highway. Thus, if his services were of a high order and those of his neighbor were the opposite, the traveler over the highway enjoyed the good stretch of road only for a short distance. Under the present arrangement, each overseer will be responsible for more territory and it will be a comparatively simple matter to make sure that each is fulfilling his office.

Three road precincts have been cut from the commissioner's precinct under J. S. Archer, three from the one under A. M. Bourland, three from the one under O. A. McCaleb and three added to that of J. M. Luttrell. Those road precincts eliminated have been consolidated with others.

### Reports Are Slow.

The commissioners' court complains that many road overseers have not as yet made reports. This lagging is most noticeable in the precincts of J. S. Archer, who has one-third of his reports, and O. A. McCaleb, who has but half.

Dry weather is causing the commissioners some perplexity, one of them stated yesterday. "There is just one relief," he said, "you don't get stuck in a bog anywhere." Sand has been blowing badly in most of the rural districts.

Road overseers appointed this week and the precincts for which they are appointed are as follows:

Precinct 1, S. C. Davenport; precinct 2, O. K. Hafer; precinct 4, P. H. Blankenship; precinct 5, T. J. Milner; precinct 6, G. A. Thompson; precinct 7, Bill Anderson; precinct 8, W. W. Cagle; precinct 9, Walter Baker; precinct 11, O. M. Pigg; precinct 13, John Box; precinct 14, George Tilley; precinct 16, Ben Lowe; precinct 17, George Streit.

## WOULD REDISTRIBUTE FOR LEGISLATURE

BILL NOW PENDING MAY GIVE WILBARGER MORE ASSURED REPRESENTATION.

A bill providing for a redistricting of representation in the State Legislature is now pending in that body and was favorably reported on last week. Although the entire state is affected, Wilbarger county is particularly so inasmuch as the passage of the bill with or without the amendments it now carries would change the representation from here.

At present Wilbarger and Wichita counties are represented in the Legislature by one representative. The bill as submitted would place Wilbarger, Ford and Hardeman together as a district, thus making this county share with two others.

An amendment, favorably reported upon last week, gives to Wichita county two representatives and to Wichita and Wilbarger together, one. This is considered more favorable to Wilbarger's interests inasmuch as the one extra representative will in all probability be conceded to this county each term. At least, it is thought, Wilbarger's interests will be as well protected as at present.

### Early Morning Fire at Childress.

Fire originated in a rooming house over the Childress Drug Company at 2 o'clock Monday morning damaged the building and one adjacent to the extent of about \$10,000. Only the heroic and consistent work of the fire department prevented the loss of the entire block and possibly some of the buildings across the street.

## GOWNS MRS. HARDING WILL WEAR IN WHITE HOUSE.



One of the most attractive purchases made by Mrs. Harding on her shopping trip to New York was a tea gown of mauve chiffon, as illustrated in the accompanying photograph. The upper section of the gown is composed of gold lace with green tassels in front and a silver and mauve sash around the waist. The train is also of mauve chiffon. The gown was designed by Elsie, Ltd., of New York.

## MISS HUFF URGES "GOOD COMMITTEE"

RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVE SAYS NURSE NEEDS CO-OPERATION.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Wilbarger County chapter of the American Red Cross was held in the Chamber of Commerce office this morning for the purpose of conferring with Miss Louise Huff, of St. Louis, field representative for the Southwestern Division, and for the purpose of transacting some business.

Miss Huff discussed the opening of a health center here and the inauguration of the work of the visiting nurse. She said that she was confident that the Red Cross nurse would be a success here but she urged, in helping to make it so, a number of things. In the first place she said that it would be necessary to have these four persons as members of the nursing committee:

one to efficiently handle the public, because, she explained, the work will not be a success unless the people throughout the county are made to know and feel the importance of the work; second, some one who can further carry on the publicity work by speaking before the public gatherings and different clubs and organizations on the work that is being done; and third and fourth, two persons who can go with the nurse on her visits to school to assist in the weighing and measuring of children.

### Nurse Has Many Duties.

It is absolutely essential, Miss Huff explained, to the success of the program, that the committee backing the nurse be a fair minded one, and one that will assume the executive portions of the work. Its members should personally see to it that the nurse is given a place in the social community and that she is made to feel a real part of it and not merely its tool.

When asked to outline briefly and concisely the duties of a Red Cross community nurse Miss Huff said, "She gives prenatal care and instructions to mothers; examines children under school age as often as parents request it and examines school children at least once a year; gives bedside care on a visiting basis but she does not diagnose and does not prescribe, nor is she allowed to recommend any certain physician; she takes especial note of tubercular cases, reporting them and taking steps for the prevention of spreading; she helps in all sanitary movements, clean-up campaigns, etc., and holds clinics and distributes literature at fairs, rodeos and such like."

### Many Accept Fees for Red Cross.

The nurse may accept fees for her work, Miss Huff said, from those who

## THINKS COUNTIES FAVORABLY LOCATED

AN ELECTRA FARMER BELIEVES THIS SECTION HAS RICH FARMING BELT.

Wichita and Wilbarger counties have every natural resource at hand to develop into the leading agricultural section of the state of Texas, if not in the United States, according to P. G. Krohn of Electra, who owns five farms located in these two counties.

Mr. Krohn has made a scientific study of farming for a number of years and is a man who believes in a big spirit of co-operation between landlord and tenant farmer. In following this policy it is interesting to note that not a single farmer living on any of his places has found it necessary to ask the banks for loans during the recent demoralization of prices in farm products.

In speaking of the productiveness of the soil between the Pense and Wichita rivers, Mr. Krohn remarked that he is a native of Missouri and lived for years in one of its richest farming belts. He has observed the highly advanced methods of cultivation in California, Colorado and Ohio and believes that none of these states offers a better soil than that found in the district referred to. He said that in Ohio, for instance, the nature of soil varies so much that one portion of a quarter section farm will not produce certain crops, while on the other end of the same farm the product will flourish.

He stated that the Wichita-Wilbarger belt is uniform and land situated an equal distance from Red River is of about the same character generally as that which eliminates the necessity of exhaustive analysis of the soil that is found necessary in other points. It is his belief that scientific methods should be employed to bring up the efficiency and full productiveness of our farms.

Farm demonstrators of the right kind are very beneficial to the farmers, he said. Wilbarger county has taken advantage of this method and is producing noteworthy results.

### Will Honor Visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Johnson will entertain at their home tonight with a dance honoring Miss Marie Anderson. The young friends of the California visitor have been asked for 8:30 o'clock.

### New House on W. Wilbarger St.

J. O. Dove, local contractor, is planning to build a new residence for himself one block west of the paving on West Wilbarger street. The house will be of six rooms, brick, and steam heated. The estimated cost is \$9,000.

## CURING POTATOES A SIMPLE MATTER, SAYS STATE EXPERT

E. A. Miller of A. & M. College Told Farmers and Business Men Wednesday That Requirements for Treatment Are Easily Met—Denver Railroad Representative Also Spoke.

At a gathering of business men and farmers Wednesday afternoon in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, the matter of a sweet potato curing and storage plant for Vernon was discussed from all angles by E. A. Miller, sweet potato expert from Texas A. and M. College. Mr. Miller's talk was prefaced by a few remarks from M. B. Oates, agricultural agent for the Denver railroad who informed his audience that sweet potatoes fit in excellently with a diversified system of farming and form an appreciable source of income. He stated that Vernon is as good a point as any along the Denver railroad for the establishment of a curing plant, and in view of the fact that it will add to the income of business men of the city, the merchants as well as the growers should be interested. Mr. Oates cautioned against using the plans for curing plants submitted by private individuals. These will prove of considerable more expense, he said, than those submitted free of charge by the state agricultural college.

Sweet potatoes are a safe crop to experiment with, Mr. Oates pointed out, and the efficiency of curing plants has been clearly demonstrated in other sections. Such a plant, he said, is the first step in proper marketing.

### Advocates Conservation.

E. A. Miller informed those present that he does not recommend raising sweet potatoes on an extensive scale. Their desirability is emphasized only as one of the factors of diversified farming. Curing the potatoes is comparatively simple, he said, but adds immeasurably to their desirability.

The amount of moisture evaporated from the potatoes depends upon the conditions under which they are dug, said Mr. Miller. If they are taken from the ground in wet weather, there is naturally more moisture in the potatoes, but ten days to two weeks is sufficient to do the work. A temperature of seventy-five to eighty degrees is maintained in the curing plant, and this is sufficient to destroy any disease in the vegetables and still not kill the sprouts. Once cured, the temperature of the building is maintained at about fifty-five degrees through the use of ventilators, Mr. Miller said, and by keeping the potatoes dry and cool they are kept free from disease.

### Explained Construction.

The expert from A. and M. explained thoroughly the proper construction of a curing plant. He stated that the most satisfactory material is wood as this permits less condensation of moisture. The house is built on pillars to prevent moisture seeping in from the ground and the floor, walls and ceiling are of double layer ship lap with gilding paper between. This provides a dead air space that is a non conductor of moisture. Trap doors in the floor and ceiling provide a good system of ventilation. An inverted system of heating is used and ventilators are provided in both the stoves and the flues. This makes for little difference in temperature between the top and the bottom of the room.

Good slips are essential in guarding against disease, Mr. Miller said. An effort should be made to have them guaranteed by those from whom they are obtained. Dipping in a solution of one ounce of corrosive sublimate to eight gallons of water will kill disease in the plants and make them more vigorous.

### Careful Handling Essential.

Careful handling of potatoes in the field is essential, according to the lecturer. Baskets and crates should be provided and the yield hauled to the storage house in spring wagons to prevent excessive jarring. Potatoes without bruises will keep and sell better, it was pointed out.

Potatoes should be dug before frost Mr. Miller said. When the leaves are gone evaporation is stopped, and the roots take up all the water in the plant, thereby making the potato become water logged. It is better to put them in the curing plant somewhat green than too saturated with moisture.

Cured potatoes can be shipped fur-

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# Vernon Opera House

"WHERE THE STARS SHINE THE BRIGHTEST"

Pipe Organ Music—Matinee and Night by Mr. E. J. McBride

FRIDAY—TODAY—FRIDAY



## Elsie FERGUSON in "LADY ROSE'S DAUGHTER"

From the novel by Mrs. Humphrey Ward, revealing the love life of a woman who found that her "blue blood was red."

Universal Century Comedy  
"A FISHING STORY."



SATURDAY

## "Doug" FAIRBANKS

### "American Aristocracy"

A spontaneous combustion of complications, wherein Douglas does everything.

ALSO  
Universal Comedy  
"Nearly Married."

EXTRA  
EDDIE POLO in Episode  
Three of  
"King of the Circus."



MONDAY.

## Piquant and Adorable VIOLA DANA in "Blackmail"

The Thrilling Romance of Silk Stockinged  
Crookdom.

Also Literary Digest "Topics of the Day" and  
Pathe News.

COMING TUESDAY:

Four Acts of Loew Vaudeville (see ad elsewhere) and an All-Star Cast in "THE LURE OF YOUTH."

### Fargo News

Fargo, Feb. 17.—(By special correspondence.)—Marvin Sweatmon returned home Sunday morning from Houston where he has been under medical treatment. He expects to return in thirty days.

Miss Maud Richards spent the week end at home with her parents. She is teaching school at Hank Hill.

Mrs. D. L. Lovelace entertained the young folks Friday evening with a party.

Miss Edith Lacy, home demonstrator and County Superintendent J. N. Fuleher visited the school Tuesday morning in interest of the Club work.

Miss Minnie Criss has come home to stay. She has been going to Holcomb's Training school but has finished.

Miss Jimmy Cox of Vernon has been visiting her cousins, Misses Maudie and Maudie Richards.

Cecil Greene entertained a number of his friends Monday evening with a birthday party. The house was decorated with Valentines. It being the 14th of February. After an enjoyable evening was spent refreshments were served consisting of heart shaped cakes and hot chocolate. Those present were as follows: Neita Mason, Lu-

elle Rhee, Fay Cullum, Leta Miller, Mattie Lou Mason, Mabel McLaughlin, and Dan Oliver, Boyd Oliver, Vincent Crisp, Noel Hays, Raymond Sweatmon, Eunice Oliver, Lenwood Waddell, George Narred, J. T. Castleberry, Roy Mason, Roy Cullum.

Hart Sherrer is hauling lumber for a new house.

The young folks enjoyed a singing at the home of Misses Effie and Thelma Linsey Sunday night.

The following have been Vernon visitors the past week: Misses Ethel Sweatmon, Lamoine Switzer, Mabel Sprawls, Willie Couch, Bonnie Deal, Janice Greene, Maudie Richards, Thelma and Effie Linsey, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hoosier, Robert May, Clarence Wilhelm, Orr Cato, Bryan Hutchinson and Wylie Sweatmon.

Miss Augusta Castleberry went to Chillicothe Saturday.

There will be singing at the Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, February 20. Everybody is invited to attend.

George Elkins, formerly a resident of Vernon and now of Breckenridge, returned to that city Tuesday after a three days' visit here. He is on business at Breckenridge with Carl Kloo, formerly assistant manager of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce.

## GO TO THEATRE

At the Pictorium

Today and tomorrow—Anita Stewart in "Harriet and the Piper." Additional today, Neal Hart in "Elements of Might." Additional tomorrow, "Vanishing Trails," and a Mutt and Jeff comedy.

Anita Stewart is twice wed in this latest picture of hers. The first marriage is to Ward Crane, who plays the part of a leader in the gay Bohemian life of Greenwich Village. It is a lawless free-love ceremony and of course doesn't count. The second is to Charles Richmond, who plays the part of Richard Carter, of a fashionable and prominently respectable family. But even this marriage has an unromantic beginning. Harriet Field, played by the star, awakens to a realization of her error just in time to flee from her Greenwich Village husband. She becomes a governess in the home of the man whom she later marries, not because she loves him but because his children and his household need her supervision. Genuine love and happiness come to her after many years.

Monday and Tuesday—Constance Talmadge in "Dangerous Business." Also Monday—A Ben Turpin Comedy.

Again the unexpected! Imagine yourself (if you are a young lady) announcing that you are married to a man when you aren't at all, and when the man in question is in ignorance as to your declaration. And even that isn't all of it as will be seen by the following note which Constance Talmadge, as Nancy, writes in the story, "Dangerous Business": "Dear Genevieve, Something terrible has happened. You know I got out of marrying that awful Arnold by saying that I was married to Clarence. Now Clarence is back and he refuses to marry. What shall I do?"—Teartfully, NANCY."

At the Opera House.

Today—Elsie Ferguson in "Lady Rose's Daughter." Also a comedy, "A Fishy Story."

This picture reveals the love-life of a woman who found that her "blue blood" was red and followed her heart to things not blazoned on coats of arms. It is filled with the charm of English hall and countryside, the passions of youth at war with conventions of age, the shimmer of lovely gowns and the thrill of a wilful beauty's escapades. Miss Ferguson plays three roles in this photoplay, the novel from which the story is taken being divided into three epochs, 1860, 1890, and 1920.

Saturday—Douglas Fairbanks in "American Aristocracy." Also third episode of Eddie Polo in "King of the Circus," and an Universal comedy "Nearly Wed."

Leander Hick, manufacturer of the one-hump hatpin, wanted his daughter, Geradine, to marry Percy Horton but she refused because she preferred to have a real man for a husband. She went riding with some friends and vowed she would get out of the car and kiss the first honest-to-goodness man she saw. Cassius Lee, played by Doug, has Fairbanks, was the victim. Later he sees her again and this time meets her and sets out to win her. He does so only after he has invented the double hump hatpin.

Monday—Viola Dana in "Blackmail." Also Topics of the Day and Pathe News.

"Be a good crook, Flossie. Don't let the cops forget the name of Golden," are the dying words of Flossie Golden's father. With this heritage the daughter of one of the cleverest crooks who ever pined his trade while posing as a policeman, is left alone to win her way by crooked means. The lawyer who finally traps her and her accomplice falls in love with her and then things begin to happen in an exciting manner.

### Notice.

To those who were interested in securing stock in the Noble Oil Company before December 16 when our drilling was upheld. I want to announce to you who were interested. I have been able to secure a block of stock from my company to be sold at par value, \$1 per share, for ten days, unless we should strike oil in the meantime; those interested are invited to come to the well and see for yourself the excellent showings we have in getting a producer. You can get in touch with me at any time 206 East Pense street to make arrangements to go out to the well.

NETTIE M. SLATT.

### Snow of Much-Benefit.

Snow and rain which fell last night and continues to fall today is calculated to prove of immense benefit to winter wheat in the county. Recent dry weather and warm weather has caused farmers much anxiety and the present precipitation will also allay fears for early storms that have been threatened.

Miss Mary Bullard of Waxahachie visited Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Culbertson Tuesday.

# Pictorium Theatre

TWO GREAT DAYS:

Today and Tomorrow, Friday and Saturday.

Louis B. Mayer  
presents

## ANITA STEWART

SUGGESTION:  
Come today, Friday,  
in order to get seats  
and avoid the rush  
tomorrow.



CHARMERS  
OF WOMEN  
BELIEVE IN  
FREE-LOVE—  
DO YOU?

From the Novel by KATHLEEN NORRIS

Down through the Ages—Woman has always been the object—as well as the obstacle of Man's intentions—and attentions—so it is in this story—

HIGH LIGHTS AMONG LOW LIGHTS—

Added Attractions Today—NEAL HART in "ELEMENTS OF MIGHT."  
Added Attractions Tomorrow—"VANISHING TRAILS" and Mutt and Jeff.

A "First National" Attraction

A Highlight of Goodness Meets a Highlight of Manliness.

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

2 GALA DAYS—2 WONDERFUL NIGHTS.

Comics Best Yet.

A HONEYMOON OF BRIDAL FRIGHTS!

## Joseph M. Schenck presents CONSTANCE TALMADGE in "DANGEROUS BUSINESS"



SCHEDULE:  
OF SHOWS.

10:30 A. M.  
12:30 A. M.  
2:30 A. M.  
4:30 P. M.  
6:30 P. M.  
8:30 P. M.  
10:30 P. M.

GRASP OVER THIS! Here's a bride who balked at the altar. Said she was married when she wasn't. Dabbled in Dangerous Business and crashed when the man she said she was married to commanded: "Nancy—Come Home!" Go-o-o-ood Night!

A Nibble at Nuptials  
by a Wife who wasn't!  
It Whizzes!

Peppier Even than the  
One You Thought was.  
Connie's peppiest before.

Special Ben Turpin Comedy  
Monday.

Extra Tuesday—"Son of Tarzan."

Varied famous animal picture.



## EIGHT TEAMS IN CHAMPIONSHIP RACE

TOURNAMENT AT QUANAH WON DECISIVELY BY BAYLOR COUNTY FIVE.

Eight teams contested for the district championship in the basketball tournament held at Quanah last Saturday, according to a report reaching The Record. These were Harrold, of Wilbarger county, Crowell, of Ford county, Quanah of Hardeman county, Lakeview of Hall county, Kirkland of Childress county, Knox City of Knox county, Seymour of Baylor county, and Paducah of Cottle county.

Seymour won first honors in the tournament and will go to Austin to contest for the State title. Harrold unfortunately was matched with the victors the first game of the day, and although the Wilbarger county lads scored six points before the Seymour team tallied, the Baylor countians finally went into the lead and won decisively 28 to 12. It was the second Harrold defeat of the season, the east county lads having lost once before to Electra. Moody, forward for Seymour, scored nineteen points individually.

The scores made in order were as follows:

Crowell eliminated Quanah—43 to 6.  
Seymour eliminated Harrold—28 to 12.  
Knox City eliminated Kirkland—21 to 7.  
Lakeview eliminated Paducah—12 to 11.  
Seymour eliminated Crowell—24 to 16.  
Knox City eliminated Lakeview—24 to 8.  
Seymour eliminated Knox City—18 to 11.

### CHEESE GIVES THESE DISHES FLAVOR AND RICHNESS

In cheese sweets, flavor and richness are both contributed by the cheese. The Office of Home Economics of the United States Department of Agriculture recommends the following recipes in which cheese is a prominent ingredient:

#### Cheese Gingerbread.

1 cup of molasses, 4 ounces of cheese, 1 teaspoon of soda, 1-2 cup of water, 2 cups of flour, 2 teaspoons of ginger, 1-2 teaspoon salt.

Heat the molasses and the cheese in a double boiler until the cheese is melted. Add the soda and stir vigorously. Mix and sift dry ingredients and add them to the molasses and cheese alternately with the water. Bake for 15 minutes in small buttered tins.

#### Cheese Relish.

Spread bread which has been toasted or fried in deep fat with grated cheese, or with grated cheese mixed with a little mustard, then heat in the oven until the cheese is melted. This may be served with salad, or as a relish to give flavor to some dish such as boiled rice or hominy, which has no very marked flavor.

#### Brown Betty With Cheese.

Arrange in a deep earthenware baking dish, alternate layers of bread crumbs and thinly sliced apples. Season with cinnamon, also a little clove if desired and brown sugar. Scatter some finely shaved mild full-cream cheese over each layer of apple. When the dish is full, scatter bread crumbs over the top and bake 30 to 45 minutes, placing the dish in a pan of water so that the pudding will not burn.

If preferred, this may be sweetened with molasses mixed with an equal amount of hot water and poured over the top, a half cupful of molasses being sufficient for a quart pudding dish full.

Cheese may be used in place of butter in a similar way in other apple puddings. Apple pie made with a layer of finely shaved cheese over the seasoned apples and baked in the usual way is liked by many who are fond of cheese served with apple pie.

#### Card of Thanks.

Words can not express the gratitude we feel for the friends and neighbors who so kindly did all they could for us during the sickness and death of our dear husband and father. We also wish to thank those who took part in the funeral services and sent flowers.

MRS. H. S. ARNOLD,  
LEON ARNOLD,  
ROBERT E. ARNOLD,  
AND FAMILY.

#### Lister Points.

If that is what you want we can fit your lister.

SOUTHWESTERN IMP. CO.  
104-4c Southeast Corner Square

#### Marriage Licenses Issued.

Marriage licenses were issued February 16 to Dan White and Zozie Gibson, negroes, and February 17 to Garland Elliott and Lura D. Owen.

#### Boy to Mr. and Mrs. Lovelace.

A boy weighing eight and one-half pounds was born this morning to Mr. and Mrs. Moss Lovelace.

Bring your fancy work to The Ladies' Exchange opposite the postoffice. 8-4c.

### DISMISSED FROM SERVICE FOR FALSE STORIES OF HEROISM



Captain E. Chamberlain.

Captain Edmund G. Chamberlain, who was dismissed from the United States Marine Corps as "the champion American Munchausen developed by the war." The official findings of the court-martial simply say that he was guilty of "falsification and scoundrelous conduct to the detriment of the naval service." Captain Chamberlain thrived the Allied countries two years ago with stories of having shot down numbers of German planes. He had been decorated for the alleged exploits and an investigation disclosed the fact that Chamberlain's report was not based on facts.

### Odell News.

Odell, Feb. 15.—(By special correspondence.)—C. D. Shelton left Sunday afternoon for Wichita Falls.

W. W. Matthews, B. D. Smith and Arthur Vassey left Saturday morning for the Wichita river, where they will spend a few days fishing.

J. W. Leak and family visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. S. B. Starr, Miss Gilma Starr and Miss Ollie Crain were Chillicothe visitors Saturday.

Mrs. C. D. Shelton, Mrs. W. M. Riddle and Miss Hester Crain and Anna Mae Shelton shopped in Chillicothe Saturday.

Edgar West returned home from Altus, Okla., Sunday.

George Blackley of Altus, Okla., visited friends and relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. J. C. Mitchell is visiting in Chillicothe this week.

Mrs. A. C. Daniels and two daughters, Ornitha and Edrie of Knox City visited friends and relatives here this week-end.

Misses Coral Cox, Lena Crain and Effie Kendall spent the week-end with Mrs. Buren Vassey, who lives south of here.

A. H. Thrash and family moved to Odell last week.

Marvin and Arthur Carlton are visiting relatives in Erick, Okla.

Walter and William Shearer returned home Sunday from Wellington, where they have been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Riddle are moving to the W. W. Riddle farm west of here.

Lee Crownover and family are moving to the Tate farm east of Odell.

Mrs. Ida Turner entertained with a singing Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Macey of Vernon visited the W. W. Riddle family Sunday.

L. E. Kester of Vernon spent Sunday with C. M. Kester and family.

Frank Taylor and family of Tolbert, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Sutton.

A singing was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Beebe Sunday night.

Mrs. M. S. Roberts left Sunday for Altus, Okla.

Miss Gladys Simmonds, primary teacher, spent the week-end with her parents of Tolbert.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Vassey were Vernon visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Freeland Irions of Fort Worth is visiting her mother, Mrs. Callie Hilliard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Starr spent Thursday in Vernon.

Mrs. W. W. Riddle and son, Odie, spent Friday in Chillicothe.

Mrs. Tom Sanderson and children of Vernon spent the week-end with Mrs. Callie Hilliard.

Melton Archer made a business trip to Chillicothe Friday afternoon.

#### Money Goes to China From Here.

Business men of Vernon, through the efforts of Hom Long, commonly known as "Sam Lee," proprietor of the local Chinese laundry, subscribed \$192.86 for the China Famine Fund. Subscriptions were taken by the oriental from friends met on the street and in their places of business, and he carried a slip of paper upon which each donation was carefully recorded. The offerings appeared most generally to be of twenty-five cents each.

#### Kerosene Is Cheaper.

Kerosene only 12c a gallon. Buy it by the barrel or gallon at BROWN'S CASH GRO.

### NEWS OF THE COURTS.

Further grand jury indictments returned are the State of Texas vs. Ada Dixon and Lottie Johnson for robbery, and the State of Texas vs. Robert Pollock on two counts for forgery.

A civil suit, Ernst vs. Fletcher for damages for alleged misrepresentation in a real estate deal, occupied the court yesterday afternoon and this morning.

Alleging partnership in the contracting and construction business involving profits derived from the Kincheloe and Youngblood-Underwood buildings, H. L. Coleman entered suit against J. O. Dove and the case was before the district court two days this week. It was submitted on special issue and at noon today the jury was still out.

Suit was filed in the district court Thursday by C. R. Staley and wife against the Beaver-Electra Refining Co., asking for \$50,000. The suit has grown out of the action of the company in levying upon the Staley home partly completed on West Wilbarger street.

The petition states that the house is the property of Mrs. Staley and that she is not a party to any other suit. It is further alleged that the "contractors by reason thereof, abandoned their contracts and quit work upon said improvements and refuse to complete the same, and plaintiffs were thereby denied the privilege of occupying and residing in said residence to their damage in the sum of \$25,000." They further allege that the action of the defendant was with "intent to annoy, harass and oppress and injure plaintiffs and ask for the further sum of \$25,000 as exemplary and punitive damages."

#### Rates to Fort Worth and Amarillo.

The Fort Worth and Denver Railroad will sell round trip tickets to Fort Worth for one and a half fare from March 4 to 11, with March 14 as the final return date, on account of the Fat Stock Show which will be held there at that time. The same rate will be made to Amarillo for the Buyers and Sellers Live Stock Convention which will be held February 22 to 24. Tickets will go on sale February 22 and the final return date will be February 27.

### MISS HUFF URGES GOOD COMMITTEE

(Continued from Page 1)

are able and want to pay, but money collected in this manner goes into the Red Cross treasury and does not go to the nurse herself.

Miss Huff urged that the local Red Cross chapter get Vernon placed on the route for Red Cross films and it was voted to do so, provided the local theatres will consent to show the films which come every two weeks.

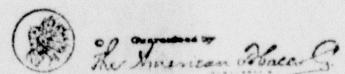
A nursing committee, appointed with the requirements named by Miss Huff in mind, will be named at an early date it was decided.

The following bills were allowed: Ford sedan for the nurse, \$800; painting of Red Cross sign on it, \$5; Mrs. A. B. Stovall's expenses to Wichita Falls where she went to confer with Miss Eilmann relative to her coming here, \$7.50 insurance for car, \$50. It was decided that \$50 as a revolving fund, shall be set aside each month to be used to take care of incidental calls for help.

Mrs. B. J. Parker and son, Kelly, left Wednesday for a visit in Shawnee, Okla.



LUCKY STRIKE  
cigarette. Flavor is sealed in by toasting



## WARNING!

We ask all our customers to be careful to see that their electric wiring is properly protected by fuse plugs. We have learned that a number of people are using pennies and other coins behind their fuse plugs. This practice is dangerous. It is liable to cause fire. When you do a thing like this you are taking a risk. There is absolutely no danger of fire from electric wiring, if the house is properly protected by fuse plugs.

Fuse plugs are put in your entrance switch so as to absolutely protect you in case there is any defective wiring in your house, so never be without them. Fuse plugs cost you very little—We furnish them to our customers at absolute cost. If your lights go out put in a new fuse plug if you have one; if not, get one. Never use anything else. It is better to be in the dark one night than to take a risk. If, after you have put in a new fuse plug and your lights still don't burn, call one of the electric shops, because there is some trouble that requires the services of an electrician.

## Texas Public Service Co.

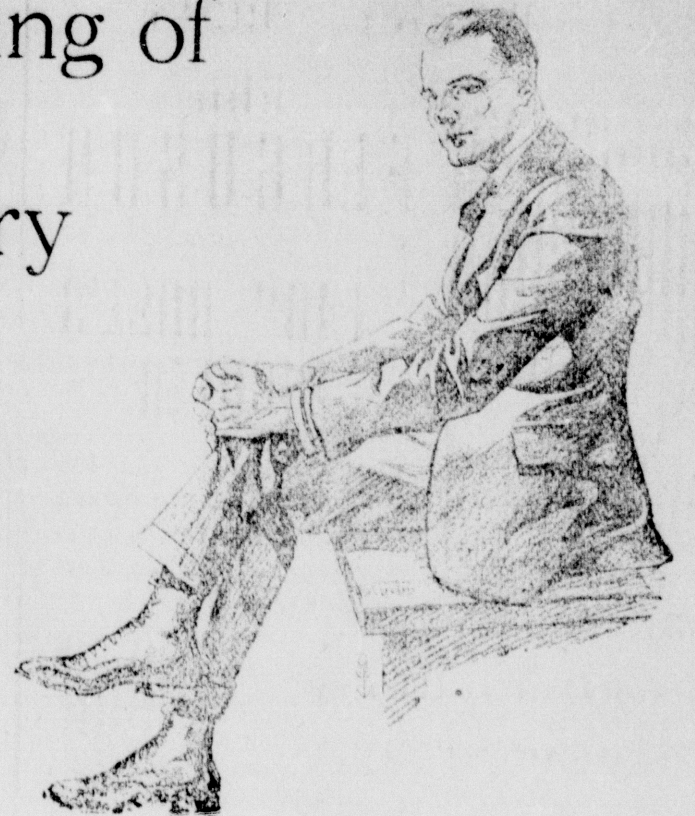
## Measured Solely By Usefulness

There's no other way to compute the value of your bank to you than by the real definite, tangible use you can make of its facilities. We can offer you service whose usefulness has been tested and proven, and that awaits only a trial to convince you.

## THE HERRING NATIONAL BANK

C. T. HERRING, President  
L. E. JOHNSON, Vice-President  
G. C. MORRIS, Cashier

## Speaking of Spring Toggery



Our Mr. Brunson is now in the Eastern Markets and writes us that we will begin receiving every day the very keenest line of Men's Ready-to-Wear that it has been our pleasure to offer men for several years. Our Spring Suits, Oxfords, Shirts, Ties,—in fact everything that the man can use will be found in our new Spring line. The prices are more reasonable than they have been in years, and we await with pleasure the chance of showing you this delightful stock.

## Brunson & Williams

MEN'S AND BOYS' OUTFITTERS



BILLY MURRAY

## EIGHT FAMOUS VICTOR ARTISTS

Will Appear in Person March 1, 1921 at the Palace Theatre, Wichita Falls, Texas

HENRY BURR, Tenor  
BILLY MURRAY, Tenor Comedian  
ALBERT CAMPBELL, Lyric Tenor  
JOHN H. MEYERS, Baritone  
FRANK CROXTON, Bass  
MONROE SILVER, Monologist  
FRED VAN EPS, Banjoist  
FRANK BANTA, Pianist

The Sterling Trio  
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50 ORCHESTRA SEATS, THE BEST SEATS IN THE HOUSE HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED THIS STORE FOR OUR CUSTOMERS. TICKETS ON SALE SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 19TH.

Price of Seats we sell, \$3.30 each, tax included.

Tickets will be reserved for out of town customers provided cash accompaniment order. Telephone 611 for reservations as tickets are limited.

## Pendleton's Music Store

"WHERE VICTROLAS ARE SOLD."

104 South Main St.

Phone 611

Vernon, Texas





## The Vernon Record

(Incorporated)

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Subscribers desiring a change in the ad-  
dress of their paper should be careful to  
give old as well as new address to insure  
prompt attention.

### SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year.....\$3.00  
Six Months.....1.75  
Three Months.....1.00  
No subscription accepted for shorter period  
than three months.

### ADVERTISING RATES

Classified advertisements—1 1/2 cent a  
word first insertion; three insertions, 3c a  
word; minimum charge 25c.  
Local reading notices—2c a word first in-  
sertion; 3c a word for two insertions.  
Card of thanks—30c.  
Obituary notices—1c a word.  
Poetry—2c a word.  
Always include cash when mailing read-  
ing notices.  
Display advertising—Promotion, 50c a  
column inch; all other, 45c.

Vernon, Texas, Friday, Feb. 18, 1921.

Foreign Advertising Representative  
THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

### MOVING THE UNIVERSITY.

If the University of Texas is to be  
moved from its present location, why  
not move the institution from Austin?  
This question is being pressed with  
vigor.

"Sentiment" replies one. "There are  
memories clustering around the old  
school" which could never be trans-  
planted. "The university is a state  
institution," says another. "And being  
such, it should be at the seat of govern-  
ment so as to be the more closely un-  
der official eyes." "The evils of the  
city," is a third reason. This assumes,  
of course, that the university would be  
moved to one of the more populous  
centers of Texas.

Let us consider these. For what is  
the sentiment? Is it the old Aca-  
demic Hall? If so, that has been con-  
demned. The late Major George W.  
Littlefield gave \$500,000 for erecting  
a building in its place. Is it B. Hall?  
Undoubtedly that, too, will soon give  
way to another structure.

Perhaps the sentiment is for the  
"surroundings." These change from  
year to year, so that the old grad  
scarcely recognizes a landmark after  
a relatively few years.

Are not the sentiments in reality  
for the traditions of the university;  
for the men and women who have  
given their lives in its service; for its  
code of honor; for its ideals? If so,  
might not these be transplanted mid-  
way between Dallas and Fort Worth,  
to San Antonio, or to any other place?

If the university should be under  
the immediate official eye, should not  
every other state institution likewise  
be? Might not the removal of the uni-  
versity from Austin tend to remove it  
from politics? It is undoubtedly true  
that few of the officials exercise any  
appreciable supervision over the in-  
stitution even though they are within  
a stone's throw of it.

Undoubtedly there are "evils" in the  
city. So are there evils elsewhere.  
It is an undisputed fact that genuine  
university work can not be done, ex-  
cept under serious handicaps, away  
from the great centers. The business  
and professional schools need the city  
as laboratories. And the distinctive  
function of a university—that of re-  
search—can hardly be carried on away  
from the city. Austin affords research  
in some lines, such as government, poli-  
tics, and law. In others it is sadly  
lacking.

It should be remembered, too, that a  
university is no place for irresponsible  
youth. Sooner or later we will consid-  
er very seriously the elimination of  
freshman and, perhaps, sophomore  
courses from the university—leaving  
the institution for mature men and  
women. It must be remembered, too,  
that Austin is not a rural village, but  
a city of some 40,000 people. Doubt-  
less Austin can not help but harbor  
many of the "evils of the city."

The only valid reason, as The Rec-  
ord sees it, is that of property rights.  
Many have moved to Austin and in-  
vested their money because of the uni-  
versity's location. But removal to the  
Brackebridge site would destroy this  
same property right, or nearly so.  
However, as compared with this

"property right" of a few is the mat-  
ter of service to all of Texas. Removal  
of the university to some point would  
serve a multitude, as compared with  
the few who have invested in Austin.

Nor is the consideration of ample  
ground and the gift of \$10,000,000 (or  
more) a thing to be ignored. The tra-  
ditions of the university can be moved,  
just as its faculty and its ideals can  
be moved. The gift of \$10,000,000 and  
a site would provide handsomely for  
the university's material needs.

The Record favors removal. Un-  
doubtedly, the university should be re-  
moved from Austin or remain on its  
present site.

### HAD RATHER TRADE IN VERNON.

"We had rather trade in Vernon."  
This is an expression that may be  
heard in any one of half a dozen com-  
munities. What is the point, then, for  
Vernon?

Why, the quotation is only a part of  
the statement. The conclusion is vital  
to Vernon—"Roads make it impractic-  
able." Sometimes they say "impossi-  
ble."

Nor is this complaint any reflection  
on the county commissioners, who are  
undoubtedly doing all that they can to  
make our dirt roads first class. In-  
sofar as we can judge, only the inter-  
mittent use of a drag immediately af-  
ter each shower would improve most  
of the roads leading into Vernon.

The fact remains, however, that  
many roads are practically impassible.  
Wednesday a statement similar to the  
one quoted was heard in Thalia. "Es-  
pecially since the building of the ware-  
house in Vernon would our people like  
to come there," the speaker continued.

While it has been possible to pull  
through the deep sand by way of Ray-  
land, there are mud holes which make  
that road impassible, the farmers say;  
and it is a long, difficult drive via  
another route. A similar situation ex-  
ists to the North and Northeast. The  
trip to Vernon takes much time be-  
cause of deep sand or mud holes where  
sand formerly impeded, and people are  
discouraged from coming here.

A number of inland merchants would  
like to freight from here—but for the  
roads. Nor does it suffice to say that  
roads to other points are bad.

Vernon can make herself the trading  
center for a vast section if we will put  
our roads in first class condition. This  
would benefit every farmer living  
along the road and all others who  
might travel that highway coming to  
or returning from market.

A system of permanently good roads  
is imperative for Wilbarger county.

### THOSE GLARING AUTO LIGHTS.

"Blinded by the glaring headlights  
of an approaching automobile, Harry  
L. Carter, prominent local attorney,  
drove his automobile off a ten-foot  
embankment and was plunged into a  
pool of water on the Lake Worth road  
last night." This is from Fort Worth  
and occurred Monday night.

Night driving is made especially  
hazardous, as any one who happens  
to be out after dark will testify, be-  
cause of blinding headlights. It seems  
that the only cure is for automobile  
manufacturers to put on their cars a  
reflector which prevents this glare.  
Of course, dimmers are now made  
a part of the equipment of practically  
all automobiles. Nevertheless, so few  
use them as to make the number negli-  
gible. Try dimming your lights some  
night when another car is approaching,  
and see how infrequently the courtesy  
is returned!

Courtesies on the road seem to have  
gone the way of courtesy elsewhere—  
they were an impediment during the  
hurry days through which we have  
been living. Perhaps, like other im-  
pedimenta of the "good old days,"  
they will come back. It is to be hoped  
that now, since we are beginning to  
work hard and live sanely, we will  
practice and teach our children to  
practice many courtesies with which  
most of the younger generation seem  
to be entirely unfamiliar.

The use of glaring headlights is  
much more than a discourtesy. It is a  
menace to life; a menace, however,  
which the practice of common courtesy  
would remove.

FOR SALE—Lot 60x120. Fronts  
north on West Texas street, 4 blocks  
from square. N. Cregar at Post  
Office, 8 Stc

### VESPER BELLS RINGING FOR RATS AT THE MILL

The bells are ringing for rats in the  
Kell mill,—real, honest-to-goodness  
bells that tinkle out notes that evident-  
ly the brains of ratdom instantly di-  
vine for when their sound is in the air,  
there is a perfect exodus of rodents in  
all directions. Where they go is an-  
other story, but it is evident to even  
the most casual observer that each rat  
that hurries from the cavernous depths  
of his lair, hurriedly chewing one last  
morsel of wheat in his speedy depart-  
ure, has his mind intent on leaving in  
the most effective and not too digni-  
fied manner possible. There is one ex-  
ception, however, just as there are to  
most rules. One particular rat is  
spending a large part of his time pon-  
dering over the sudden antipathy his  
fellows are exhibiting for his presence,  
and what the nature of the fate might  
be that causes wild sounds, to ring  
forth each time he moves his head.

### Wheat Too High.

The truth of the matter is that  
wheat is entirely too high. The con-  
nection of wheat with rats and bells  
at first glance appears to be ridiculous-  
ly remote, but second consideration re-  
veals that they possess a potent signi-  
ficance. Told bit tendencies on the part  
of ratdom are distinctly wheatward  
and word had somewhat or other gone  
forth in the last three months that Mr.  
Kell was holding open house down by  
the railroad. From far and near they  
came to bid respects, and feast upon  
the sumptuous provender they found  
at first hand.

But one large rat, more curious of  
worldly affairs than his fellows, fell  
into the relentless trap of the night  
watchman. He was promptly hailed  
before the bar of justice, granted a  
perfunctory trial, and sentenced to  
spend an indefinite period with a bell  
around his neck. The instrument was  
securely wired into place, Mr. Rat  
given his liberty, and latest census re-  
port from the banquet chamber in-  
dicate that he is being given carte  
blanche by the others in stuffing to his  
heart's content.

### Current Comments

#### GOOD DOCTRINE.

Reviewing conditions in the clothing  
trade in Texas during the past year  
and the business crisis through which  
business generally has passed, S. J.  
Williams of Galveston, president of  
the Texas Retail Clothiers' Associa-  
tion, in his address to the fifth annual  
convention of the organization in ses-  
sion at Dallas, took occasion to re-  
mark that there had not been a busi-  
ness failure among the members of the  
association during the year. He point-  
ed out how widespread had been the  
results of the tumble of prices and the  
resulting depression. Then he said:

"Despite all this there was not a  
single business failure recorded any-  
where in the State for any member of  
the organization. We will all be bigger  
and better men personally for having  
met this crisis, however, and we must  
wipe the two words 'was' and 'former'  
from our business vocabularies. We  
must continue to look forward, to prac-  
tice conservation, to put our faith in  
conservative advertising done truth-  
fully and often. We must be courageous  
and meet conditions as we find them.  
The worst of the storm is past and  
there is only clear sailing ahead if we  
are ready to pay the price."

That is good doctrine for any line  
of business, especially any retail line.  
It should be remarked in connection  
with Mr. Williams' declaration that  
during the past three months we have  
had more business failures in the  
United States than in any similar  
period in years. But his reference to  
advertising recalls that taking the  
country as a whole 90 per cent of the  
failures have been of non-advertising  
firms. The function which advertising  
performs in modern business is seldom  
fully appreciated. It is one of the  
most important parts of the machinery  
of merchandising.—Star Telegram.

#### Nurses' President Lived Here.

Miss Dixie King, a former resident  
of Vernon, was elected president Tues-  
day of the Graduate Nurses' Associa-  
tion of Wichita County at a meeting in  
Wichita Falls. She will serve for the  
following year.

#### A Bargain.

New 8 room house—2 halls, 1 large  
sleeping porch, 1 open porch, toilet  
and bath room. Lot 60 x 120 with  
shade trees. All for \$6,000, \$3,400  
cash. Phone 434. G-Stp

#### New Garage to Open.

W. M. Hampton, Jr., has leased his  
building just north of the Hampton  
Plumbing Company to parties from  
Quannah, who will open up a garage  
there at an early date.

#### Lister Points.

If that is what you want we can fit  
your lister.  
SOUTHWESTERN IMP. CO.  
10-4tc Southeast Corner Square

## Foster's Weather Bulletin.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 18, 1921.—  
During early part of week centering on  
March 4 a warm wave will cover all  
the Rockies country and Pacific slope  
in western Canada. As these weather  
features move eastward around the  
north magnetic pole this warm wave  
will move southeastward into the Mis-  
sissippi valleys, then turn eastward,  
following its circle, and finally pass  
down the St. Lawrence valley and out  
into the European Atlantic steamship  
route during last part of that week.  
The storm wave will follow one or two  
days and the cool wave two to four  
days behind the warm wave. Temper-  
atures will average about normal dur-  
ing passage of these weather features,  
storm forces will be greater than the  
average and precipitation will be  
above the average of the first three  
months of 1921. A cold wave is ex-  
pected to fill out the last third of this  
storm period. The phrase "cold wave"  
has a definite and technical meaning.  
To constitute a cold wave the temper-  
ature must fall twenty degrees or  
more, to freezing, within twenty-four  
hours. This fall may occur in a few  
hours or may take up nearly all of the  
twenty-four hours. Best weather on  
the continent is expected at Washing-  
ton on March 4, Inauguration Day.

Precipitation of these storms will be  
located and the amount very much the  
same as for the past three months.  
The average precipitation of March,  
1921, will be very much the same in  
amount and location as for the past

four months. Three more storm  
periods are expected in March. Most  
severe storms and most precipitation  
are expected during the week center-  
ing on March 5; warmest weather dur-  
ing week centering on 17th; coolest on  
9th and 28th. The equinoctial storms  
will occur during the week centering  
on March 4, or about two weeks before  
the vernal equinox. The vernal equi-  
nox new moon, a very important  
weather breeder, will occur March 9  
about 1 p. m., when the sun and moon  
at zenith—overhead—at the Galla-  
pagos islands, about 840 miles south of  
San Salvador, Central America. That  
kind of a new moon was regarded by  
the shepherd kings of Eden—now  
Turkistan—before they migrated to  
Egypt, as of great importance.

Railroad freights were very largely  
increased some months ago. Products  
of the farm and factory have gone  
down one-half; freight rates remain  
the same. Notwithstanding this I am  
still advising farmers to hold their  
grain and cotton. These necessities  
are too low as compared with the need  
of 1,500,000,000 people, many of whom  
are starving. I am not a speculator;  
I neither buy nor sell, except to sup-  
ply my family table. I am now able  
to live any cheaper than before the  
great slump in the prices received by  
producers. Stay on or close to the  
farm; get a home, even if not more  
than one acre, in the country or one  
lot in the town. Don't be discouraged;  
the clouds will dissolve.

### IMPRESSED WITH LOCAL FIELD.

St. Louis People Expect to Do Develop-  
ment Work for Oil in This  
Territory.

A. E. Elliott, representing Elliott,  
Johns, Sharp, & Steffens Investment  
Company of St. Louis, was in Vernon  
all of last week, going over the Sigler  
oil property. While here Mr. Elliott  
became heavily interested in the H. &  
F. Oil Company, which has just started  
a well. According to J. J. Rubenstein,  
these people are very much impressed  
with the outlook for oil in the Vernon  
field, and expect to do much develop-  
ment work here.

K. G. McDonald, of the Empire Lau-  
dry, returned yesterday from Chilli-  
cothe where he had been for several  
days making arrangements for the  
opening of the branch laundry there.  
He says the plant will probably begin  
operations next week, with five or six  
persons employed.

### THIS BANK PROSPEROUS.

W. L. Weatherall, Assistant Cashier  
of The Port Arthur Institu-  
tion, Sends Statement.

The Record is in receipt of a state-  
ment of the First National Bank of  
Port Arthur, showing deposits of  
\$3,720,798.87, capital and surplus of  
\$408,401.82. Loans and discounts  
amount to only \$2,325,365.90.

W. L. Weatherall, son of J. T.  
Weatherall of Vernon, is assistant  
cashier.

Miss Mary Thomason, Mrs. J. Henry  
Walker, Mrs. Arthur Aulds and the  
latter's little son, Junior, all of Chilli-  
cothe, were guests of friends in Ver-  
non Saturday.

FOR SALE—Alfalfa hay for 65 cents  
per bale, peaberry green at barn; also  
ear corn for 60 cents per bushel,  
weighed at farm. J. H. Kincheloe.  
S-Stp Adv.

## SATISFACTION

Satisfaction brings Customers back. That tells the whole  
story of our steady growth and host of friends.

You see it isn't all a cold matter of Merchandise and money  
with us. We want the fast friendship and complete confi-  
dence of every one who trades with us. We say this and  
we mean it; there's a bit of pleasure in having one's patrons  
reappear.

Our agreement to refund your money on any unsatisfactory  
purchase is a standing offer. We do this by reason of the  
fact that our goods are honest and are of the best money  
can buy, otherwise such an offer would be utterly foolish.

Our motto is "Our Customer Must Be Satisfied."

## Parker-Donges Grocery Co.



## EGG DYES

Remember the fun you  
used to have in days of  
your youth when watch-  
ing or helping your par-  
ents dye Eggs for Easter?

And how the different colors  
and designs attracted and held  
your interest? Don't deny your  
children that joy.

Come to our store and choose a  
package or two of the different  
Egg Dyes we are now offering  
for your selection.

## FERGESON DRUG CO.



THE DOCTOR IS FIRST, OF COURSE, IN SICKNESS  
OR INJURY, BUT—

A Drug Store capable of supplying you with Drugs,  
Medicines and Sick-Room Goods is also a prime requi-  
site.

THE MORE CRITICAL THE ILLNESS THE  
GREATER THE NEED.

After the Doctor, we offer the most help and relief, so  
bring your Prescriptions and Ailments to us.



Pay your Subscription Now! Only \$2.00 a Year!

## Quality Store For Women

## FOR THE WOMAN WHO KNOWS WHAT SHE WANTS

No matter how tight a rein one  
may keep on one's purse there are  
always those things which we know  
will please us in proportion to their  
price.

To achieve the satisfying of wo-  
men of particular tastes who know  
the value of the better article, has  
been our uniform accomplishment  
through many seasons—and again  
we offer a most exclusive selec-  
tion of the more especial wear for wo-  
men who know what they want, in  
this latest showing of newest spring  
suits.

\$29.95 to \$115.00



## These New Spring Dresses



You are cordially requested to  
compare this original showing of  
attractive models, varied in many  
modes, but all selected to please our  
most exacting clientele in matters  
of style accuracy. The values speak  
for themselves.

Beautiful Dresses of Taffeta,  
Crepe and Taffeta and Lace combi-  
nations.

\$24.50 to \$67.50.

## PREMIER SHOWING OF SPRING HATS

A most complete dis-  
play of hats for every  
wear expressed in the  
most assured models  
selected from those  
most decidedly in the  
trend of the new styles.  
And the values exceed  
even their attractive-  
ness in mode. Here are  
some of the new prices  
for better hats.



\$6.50 to \$22.00

## DIXON DRY GOODS CO

"The Better Store of Vernon."



## PLEASING STYLES IN WEAR PROMISED FOR THE SPRING

Visitors To Show In Dallas Are Enthusiastic Over Models Exhibited—Skirts Will Be Fuller And Shorter—Navy Blue Will Most Generally Be Worn—Hats Are Small.

Shorter and fuller skirts will predominate in women's styles this spring, according to Vernon buyers who attended the style show in Dallas the early part of the month. The suits of which they form a part will be most popular of eucastine and tricotine with box coats, ripple tailed and beaded. Eighty per cent of the suits will be of navy blue with gray as a fade. Those from Vernon who attended the show agree that styles are of unusual attractiveness this season.

Gray suede pumps will be the most popular footwear and will be plain with buckle straps. Shoes, hose, and suits of gray will be commonly seen in combination. Chiffon hose will be most generally worn, too, but laces will also prove popular.

### Narrow Brimmed Sailors.

Close fitting, narrow brimmed sailors of straw are being offered the public, and many of these are trimmed in grass the same color as the hat. Tangerine, red, and henna are the colors most generally shown. Hats trimmed in flowers and fruit are being extensively shown as well as silk hats and those with small upturned brims. Some of the hats are trimmed with long sashes of georgette and crepe de chine.

Fancy vests are taking the place of blouses. These are of many different and attractive colors.

Sleeves will be most popular of three quarter length, said one visitor to the show, and those of twenty button length will also be worn. Gloves in white, grays, and nut shade browns of twenty button length and gauntlets will be offered. They will be of kid and suede.

Dresses most generally exhibited are of taffeta and Canton crepe. They are fuller and many are rippled. Petticoats have been relegated to the background in favor of bloomers and petticoaters.

### Will Wear Sport Coats.

Sport coats will be popular for outer wear as well as cape coats of navy blue. Some of the latter are attractively embroidered in silver and adorned with beads. Narrow neck pieces of fur will also be worn. Women will continue to wear beads and these will be of varied and fancy colors.

Novelties to be carried in the hand will most popularly be gold and silver mesh bags. Several models in the show also carried swagger sticks, parasols of different colors that fold up into a bag, and cigarette cases in place of vauities.

Style shows were held at Dallas February 1 and 2 as well as 8 and 9. The second exhibition was staged for the benefit of those buyers who were unable to attend the first, and was in most details a replica of the first. Several acts of vaudeville were offered with the exhibits in styles. The performances were staged in the Coliseum in Dallas.

### GOVERNOR TO BE IN ELECTRA.

State's Chief Executive Expected to Take Part In Pythian Ceremonial March 12.

Electra, Texas, Feb. 17.—Governor Neff is expected to be in this city on March 12th to take part in the staging of a ceremonial of the Dokeys. This announcement was made this week by Sid W. Smith who has just returned from a visit to the Governor at Austin.

The governor expressed great interest in the ceremonial and expressed his surprise at a town the size of Electra being able to put on an event of this kind. Governor Neff is high in the order of Knights of Pythias, having been Grand Chancellor of the State two years ago.

Plans for the most rousing fraternal meeting ever held in west Texas are being perfected. A number of notable visitors, in addition to the governor are expected, among them being Grand Chancellor Brewington, and Grand Keeper of Records and Seals Henry Miller. The Azotes Temple team from Fort Worth, numbering over 100, will confer the work and plans for their entertainment are being made. Among points of interest the visitors will see here will be Clayco No. 1, the first producing oil well ever drilled in north Texas.

It is expected that the class to be initiated here will number over one hundred. Delegates are at work in Wichita Falls, Iowa Park, Henrietta, and other nearby cities, and visitors are expected from all over the state.

### Lister Points.

If that is what you want we can fit your lister.

SOUTHWESTERN IMP. CO.  
10-4tc Southeast Corner Square

## FARMER SHOULD WEIGH NEEDS IN USING BORROWED CAPITAL

Buying Luxuries or Goods That Will Earn Nothing Violates Important Principle of Good Business—Five Rules for Guiding Borrowers in Making Loans.

Credit is always a good thing to have, and under certain conditions a very good thing to use, but just now it seems in most cases to be much more desirable to have it than actually to use it. The United States Department of Agriculture warns farmers that the present is a particularly unfavorable time to borrow for any purpose that does not promise naturally to increase the productivity of the farm enterprise. This applies particularly to long-time loans. Interest rates are at present considerably above normal, and the payment of these rates is in itself a heavy burden to assume.

### When to Borrow.

It is furthermore pointed out that while at the beginning or early in the progress of a period of rising prices it is generally highly profitable to borrow for productive purposes, the case is quite different in time of falling prices. When prices go up the value of money goes down, and a debt contracted on a low market can be settled on a high market with money representing correspondingly less labor and smaller quantities of products per dollar. Thus, with rising prices all loans that

would be safe on a steady market stand to yield handsome profits. In a period of peak prices, however, or of falling prices, such as farmers are facing now, the shoe is on the other foot. At such a time it is advisable to use great caution in borrowing since there is a probability of having to pay back the loan in dearer dollars than those obtained from the loan.

For those who find that they must borrow at this time in order to avert disaster, or are so situated that by a reasonable amount of additional capital they can naturally increase their earnings, the Office of Farm Management and Farm Economics offers certain simple rules to be kept in mind.

The first and most important rule is that only as much money be borrowed as can be put to a decidedly productive use. With the rate of interest high and prices falling, only an important use of borrowed capital is likely to make a loan prove profitable or even a safe venture for the borrower. The borrowing of money for the purchase of power machinery, for example, can be justified under present conditions only where farming is done on a consider-



able scale and where such machinery can be used a considerable number of days during the year to save time and labor needed elsewhere on the farm.

The second rule to be considered by the farmer concerns the time when the loan shall be repaid. If he borrows money to purchase fertilizer and agrees to repay it before a crop is harvested and sold, he may have difficulty in discharging the debt. If he arranges, however, to pay after the borrowed fertilizer has brought returns, he will be relieved of the possible embarrassment of asking for a renewal of the note and the resultant injury to his credit.

The third consideration is closely related to the second, and has to do with the duration of the loan. Generally speaking, the length of time the debt is allowed to run should be closely related to the productive life of the farm implement or improvement for which the money is employed. If the money is to build a silo that will last

10 years, the loan should not run more than 10 years, because, if a silo can not pay for itself in its own lifetime it is plain that it would be folly to borrow to build it. On the other hand, such a loan should run long enough to give the farmer a good chance to meet it when due.

Provision should be made in a long-time loan for the gradual reduction of the principal. This can be done by wording the note so that a part of the principal can be paid on any interest date, or by providing for a definite annual or semi-annual payment, covering the interest due and allowing a gradually increasing amount to be paid against the principal. Each of these methods prepares for the payment of the interest as it comes due and automatically disposes of the principal in a stated time.

### Total Annual Payments.

On a \$1,000 loan to run for 15 years at 5 per cent interest, the farmer could arrange a total annual payment of

\$100. Of his first \$100 payment, \$50 would settle the interest and leave \$50 to be paid against the principal. The next year interest could be charged for only \$50, the amount of the reduced principal, and his annual payment would be divided into \$47.50 to care for the interest, and \$52.50 to be applied on the principal. By this method the debt and its interest are gradually reduced until in the 14th year \$5.72 would be paid as interest on a principal amounting to only \$114.35. The next year the borrower would make a total payment of \$21.07, \$1 for interest charges and \$20.07 to pay off the last of the debt itself.

### WHEAT SUFFERS FROM ATTACK OF GREEN BUGS

Soft shelled green bugs have attacked the wheat in this county according to the farm demonstrator here, and had not the present cold weather and moisture intervened, there in all probability would have been considerable damage wrought by these pests. The green bugs have a natural parasite at lower temperatures that serves to hold them in check, and in wet and inclement weather they do not multiply with such rapidity as when it is excessively dry.

No known remedy for the bugs is to be had, according to the agent. Spraying, of course, is far too expensive.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Real estate transfers for the week are: Mrs. Georgia Parker and husband B. J. Parker to Mrs. Birdie Parker, the northwest quarter of block 15, South addition for \$500.

Mrs. Birdie Parker to C. J. Lawson the north half of northwest quarter of block 15, South addition for \$400.

J. P. Tate to Lee Crownover 200 acres of section 19, block 14, H. and T. C., for \$10,000.

### National Body Well Affiliated.

Twenty-eight local chambers of commerce in Texas are members of the national chamber, according to a bulletin received by the Vernon commercial organization. This affiliation is made to keep in touch with the nation's business and receive information from a first hand source.

### Kerosene 13c a Gallon.

Buy your kerosene from us—by the gallon or barrel—13c a gallon. 1tc

### BROWN'S CASH GROC.

Carl Smith of Oklaunion was in Vernon Wednesday.

WANTED—Nice, clean cotton rags—5 cents per pound—Vernon Record if

G. E. Zachry is in Chillicothe on business.

See the Trubelpruf tires at Lutz & Schmoker's. Corner Texas and Fannin. 77-tfc

J. H. Lawrence, manager of the northern district for the Hoover Suction Sweeper Co., is in Vernon.

See the Trubelpruf Tires at J. E. Lutz's office, corner Texas and Fannin streets. 63-tf

### Notice.

To any person or parties having bills against the Burk-Cameron Oil Company, you are urgently requested to send your bills to the office of the re-organized Burk-Cameron Oil Company, 206 East Peace street, Vernon, Texas. No need of law suits, no need of filing liens against the property for the stockholders are prepared to take care of them. Adv. 9-7tc

### Johnson Grass Pasture.

200 acres of Johnson and mesquite grass pasture. Plenty of water. Am in position to take care of a number of head of cattle by the month. Fence in fairly good shape but will not guarantee safety of stock 9-4tfc U. S. DAVIS.

Never trouble, trouble till trouble troubles you. Then go to Lutz & Schmoker's and get a set of Trubelpruf tires for your car, then your tire troubles will be over. 77-tfc

The Record classified ads bring result.

## TIME FOR FILING IN- COME TAX RETURNS EXPIRES MARCH 15

1920 income tax returns must reach Scott Reed, Collector of Internal Revenue, Dallas, Texas, on or before March 15. Business transactions should be carefully analyzed, with a view of taking advantage of all legitimate deductions, as well as returning all taxable income. Most returns cannot be prepared in a few minutes. File your return early and take the necessary time to properly prepare it.

## E. C. CHRISTIAN Income Tax Service

206 Waggoner Bank Building

### Money, Money, Money.

We have an endless chain, of money to lend on farms, in Wilbarger, Foard, Hardeman, and other Western Texas counties. Long time, and at rates, as low as can be had any where. 101-tfc T. P. LISMAN, & SON.

### Notice.

This is the last week to order trees and shrubs for spring planting. Those wanting fruit trees, shade trees, ornamental trees, shrubs or vines come to see me or drop a card in Post Office box 203 and I will call. 10-2tp J. W. HUNTLEY.

# Thinking of Building?

If you are, you should by all means have our prices on **Building Materials** of all kinds.

It is our business to give you all the help and real service possible on planning and estimating.

## WM. CAMERON & COMPANY, Inc.

Vernon, Texas

"Anybody can get a steady living  
:: :: out of steady effort" :: ::

The same clock that ticks off twenty-four hours for one man can't cheat his neighbor. The same laws of right and wrong—the same privilege to do and dare are open to both.

Success means effort, energy and persistent saving.



# MEN'S SHIRTS AT OLD TIME PRICES

**M**OST MEN have been waiting to buy their needed supply of Shirts on account of high prices. To such men, this sale comes at an opportune moment. Every shirt is brand new, fresh from the maker and our buyers bought more than a thousand dozen in order that we could sell them at pre-war prices. Every shirt is of the famous E. & W. make, which assures correct fit, fast colors and long wearing qualities.

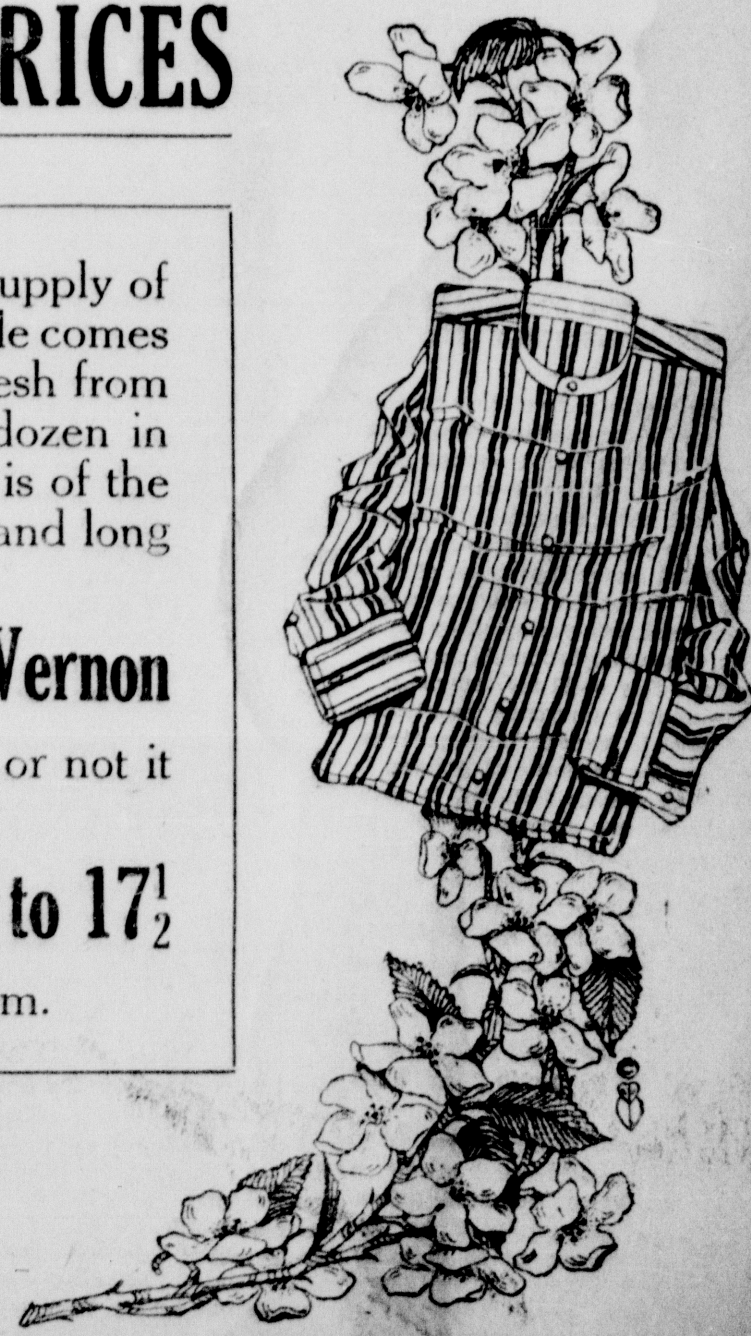
**50 Dozen Must Be Sold Saturday, Feb. 19, in Vernon**

See them in our windows Friday, then you'll know whether or not it will be to your interest to attend this sale.

**Only 3 Prices:--98c, \$1.48, \$1.98--Sizes 14 to 17½**

We think you'll buy some of these shirts if you see them.

Perkins-Timberlake Co.  
ASSOCIATED STORES  
VERNON, TEXAS.





## IN SOCIETY

### Entertained for California Visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bond entertained with bridge at their home on W. Paradise St. last evening honoring Miss Marie Anderson of Covina, Calif. George Washington effects were carried out in the party. Guests were provided with tallies of red paper hatchets, and later in the evening with paper hats of various designs and color effects. High scores were made by Miss Nell Pettit and Guy Pettit. After a plate luncheon, the guests enjoyed dancing. Those present were: Mesdames W. O. Anderson, S. S. Munger, J. V. Townsend, and Walter McCaleb, and Misses Marie Anderson, Mary Anderson, Frances Hicks, Juanita Youngblood, Oleta Youngblood, Nell Pettit, Adelle Sumner, Lillian Murchison, Olive Shive, Lucile Holt, and Esther Swartwood, and Messrs. Joe Sumner, John Storey, Charles Holder, George Hardin, Eric G. Schroeder, Walter McCaleb, S. S. Munger, Guy Pettit, Sam Napier, Erwin McCarter, Dr. James Anderson, Elzie Youngblood, J. V. Townsend, and W. O. Anderson.

### Entertain With Cards and Dancing.

Misses Robbie and Donalita Standiford entertained with bridge and dancing at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Swartwood Tuesday night. Tables of cards were arranged for the first part of the evening and after the serving of a plate luncheon dancing was enjoyed. Red and white carnations were used for decorations and for favors for each guest. Those present were Dr. and Mrs. T. E. Standiford, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Swartwood, Misses Marie Anderson, Mary Anderson, Juanita Youngblood, Frances Hicks, Nell Pettit, Lillian Murchison, Oleta Youngblood, Esther Swartwood and Adelle Sumner; Dr. James Anderson, Messrs. J. C. Hickernell, John Storey, Eric G. Schroeder, Elzie Youngblood, Guy Pettit, Sam Napier, Lyle G. Hall and Herbert Doehler, of Brooklyn, N. Y. High scores in bridge were made by Mrs. Swartwood and Dr. Anderson.

### LIVESTOCK SURVEY STARTS CAMPAIGN FOR PUREBREDS

A variety of methods are being employed to carry on the better-sires campaign which the United States Department of Agriculture has been vigorously promoting in all parts of the country. In Stenheg County, Ind., a livestock survey was taken as the first step in this campaign. Under the leadership of T. A. Parker, the county agent, the county was partially organized by sections and returns were secured from 600 farms, representing one-half of the total number in the area. As the reports were made from farms in all parts of the county, the percentages may be taken as an average.

The figures show that of the bulls kept 27 per cent were purebreds, 33 per cent grades, and 40 per cent scrubs; of the boars kept 26 per cent were purebreds, 30 per cent grades, and 44 per cent scrubs; and of the rams 42 per cent were purebreds, 36 per cent grades, and 22 per cent scrubs. Twenty-three per cent of the poultry was of pure breeding the remainder being mixed stock. With these figures at hand the general livestock association of the county began a purebred-sires campaign, using posters and literature supplied by the United States Department of Agriculture, and holding local meetings at which talks, showing the value of purebred sires, were given.

### FARMERS FIND CO-OPERATION LEADS TO BETTER MARKETING

Experience has shown that farmers' co-operative marketing associations, organized along sound business lines and with a sufficient column of business, will offer a regular, dependable service to producers, say specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. Impossible results must not be expected, but producers, by organizing, can accomplish much that an individual could not undertake.

Co-operative marketing associations can assist in standardizing products, in improving grading and packing, in furnishing storage facilities, in gathering and using market and crop information and in locating new markets. A marketing association can do much more advertising than a single producer could afford and it can buy farm supplies at quantity prices for its members.

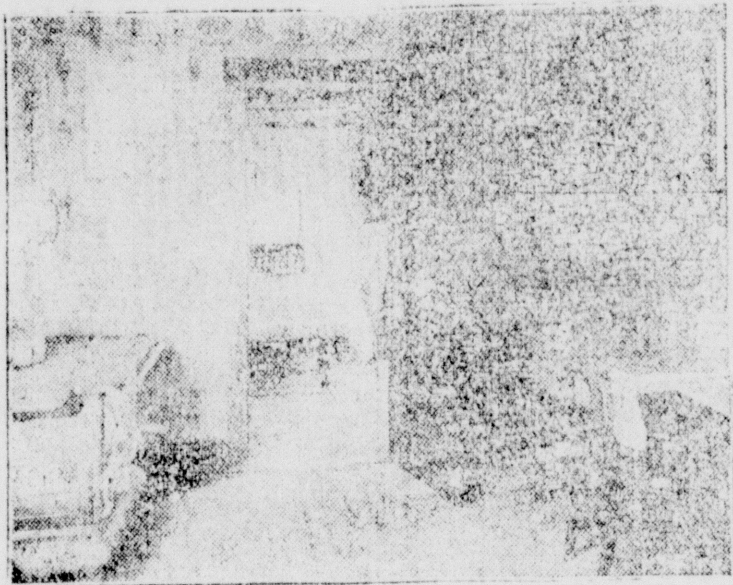
### BAD EGGS INCREASE PRICE OF GOOD ONES TO CONSUMER

In a shipment of three cases, or 90 dozen eggs, recently received by a Washington, D. C., commission firm 18 3/4 dozen were condemned by the local health department as unfit for food. The percentage of bad eggs shipped into the markets is very high, reducing trade and discouraging consumption, say specialists of the Bureau of Markets of the United States De-

## COVERING KITCHEN FLOOR REDUCES SCRUBBING WORK

Unfinished Floors Require Much Work to Keep in Good Condition—Covering of Various Kinds and Their Wearing Qualities—Too Much Water Ruins Floor.

What is the best material for the kitchen floor, the most practical finish, and the most satisfactory covering are questions much discussed. All housewives agree, however, that the unfinished wooden floor is hard to clean, and painting, oiling, or covering it with some washable material saves



much labor, say specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. An unfinished wood floor requires frequent scrubbing, which, no matter how thorough, can not remove spots and stains from some kinds of wood and cause the surface of others to silver and become rough.

#### Maple Widely Used.

Maple is one of the woods most used for kitchen floors. It is smooth and very durable, and when oiled is proof against grease and water stains. Longleaf or Georgia pine and Douglas fir or red spruce are other desirable kinds and may be painted or oiled. Any kind of wooden flooring should be well seasoned before it is laid to lessen the shrinking and swelling due to changes in temperature and atmospheric conditions. Any cracks in the floor should be filled with putty, or better with one of the special preparations for the purpose.

There are a variety of concrete and so-called "composition" floor materials now on the market which are advertised for use in kitchens. They are often easy to clean and do not absorb grease and water when new. Some of them, however, tend to crack and chip with wear, and then are difficult to keep in order. Some are also rather hard and fatiguing to stand on, though this drawback can be overcome somewhat by using mats of rubber, cork, or some other resilient material. The

partment of Agriculture.

If a few eggs in the dozen are bad the housewife pays exorbitant prices for the sound ones. The dealer always prefers to handle good eggs, for spoiled ones injure his business reputation. A deduction for spoiled eggs also makes the shipper feel that he is not being treated in good faith by the commission merchant.

Bad eggs then are a loss to everyone who handles them. Every egg marketed should be of unquestionable quality.

### MAPLE TREES OF 20 STATES OFFER A WEALTH OF SWEETS

Many thousands of American farmers throughout a score of States are overlooking opportunities to secure delicious maple sugar and sirup for home use, as well as for sale, at very little cost. This statement, of interest because of the approach of "sugar weather," is based on data compiled by experts of the United States Department of Agriculture who have made a special study of the maplesugar industry. While Americans commonly think of this industry as being confined largely to circumscribed areas in New England and New York, there are, as a matter of fact, many potential "sugar bushes" throughout eastern and northeastern United States; in other words, throughout a region extending south to include North Carolina and Tennessee and west to include northern Missouri, Iowa, and Minnesota. There are also a considerable number of maple trees of a sugar-yielding species in Washington and Oregon.

While some experience is necessary to boil the sap down to sirup and sugar properly, the process is not complicated and may be learned readily. A United States Department of Agriculture bulletin, "Production of Maple Sirup and Sugar," gives the necessary information, and will be sent free to any person addressing the department at Washington.

A clump of 10 to 15 trees usually will yield enough sirup for family use to make tapping worth while, and in many cases will afford a surplus which can be sold at a remunerative price.

Frank Pickard left Thursday for his home in Hedley. Mr. Pickard has recently been employed at the Bargdoll & Stanley grocery.

special paints now on the market make concrete floors easier to care for, less dusty, and more durable.

Linoleum is a very satisfactory covering for the kitchen floor. It is relatively durable, comfortable for the feet, and easy to clean. It is manufactured in a variety of colors, designs

and qualities; the better grades will be found most economical in the long run. Varnishing or waxing linoleum is said to protect the surface and makes it wear longer.

Floor oilcloth is cheap and easily cleaned, but wears out quickly. Floor coverings, such as carpets and matting, which hold dust and dirt, are unsuited to the kitchen, says a revised edition of Farmers' Bulletin 697, The Farm Kitchen as a Workshop, issued by the United States Department of Agriculture.

#### Constant Scrubbing Injurious.

Whatever the material of the kitchen floor, or the covering used on it, constant scrubbing and the excessive use of soap and water will injure the surface. Care should be taken, therefore, not to drop food on the floor. Spreading papers where food is likely to be dropped or grease to be spattered will save labor in the end. A soft brush or dust mop will keep a floor in better condition than a broom and make mopping less frequently necessary. A dish mop of hotel size, kept in a convenient place and used to remove drops of water or other liquids accidentally spilled, will save frequent scrubbing of the entire floor and when dampened and wrung nearly dry can be used to remove spots or dust. If so used it will often prevent dirt from being carried from one part of the room to another.

### GIVE BACK-YARD POULTRY DAILY ALLOWANCE OF GRAIN

The back-yard flock should have in addition to the table scraps a light feed of grain every morning.

Four or five handfuls of grain—about one-half pint—scattered in the litter will be sufficient for a flock of 20 to 25 hens. By handful is meant as much as can be grasped in the hand, not what can be scooped up in the open hand. By scattering it in the litter the hens will be compelled to scratch in order to find the grain and in this way to take exercise, which is decidedly beneficial to them.

In case not enough good, sound, substantial table scraps are available to furnish full feeds, both at noon and at night, another feed of the grain mixture should be thrown into the litter at the night feeding and should consist of as much as the hens will eat up clean, poultry specialists in the United States Department of Agriculture say. In summer or during suitable weather the grain can be fed by scattering it on the ground outside the house. A good grain mixture for this purpose is composed of equal parts by weight of wheat, cracked corn, and oats. An other suitable grain mixture is composed of 2 parts by weight of cracked corn and 1 part of oats.

Litter should be abundant, clean, and dry. It keeps the birds busy, warm, healthy, and happy.

Mrs. S. W. Bailey was called to Mineral Wells yesterday on account of Mr. Bailey's condition. No reports concerning the hotel proprietor have been received here as yet today.

J. D. Key returned yesterday from Philadelphia.

C. S. Smith returned yesterday from Fort Worth.

Harry Holmes of Stamford is in Vernon.

Mrs. Bess Osborn returned Tuesday from a buying trip in St. Louis.

Miss Katherine Pierce, who is attending S. M. U. at Dallas, visited here Tuesday.

Money to loan on improved farms Davis & Summerour. 87-1c

## ANOTHER ROMANCE IN THE TALMADGE FAMILY



The engagement of Miss Natalie Talmadge, youngest of the Talmadge sisters, to Buster Keaton, has been announced by Miss Talmadge, who is now at Palm Beach, Fla., with her mother. Miss Talmadge said she had not seen her fiancé for two years and that the courtship had been carried on by telegraph.

## AT DEATH'S DOOR.

"I was talking with my neighbor, Mr. Webb, the other day, regarding the great trouble his stomach had given him. He said he suffered 7 or 8 years, and had been almost at death's door a number of times from acute indigestion and bloating of gas, which seemed to shut off his heart action. He said he wouldn't have lived much longer if he hadn't taken May's Wonderful Remedy when he did, which made a well man of him." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded.

Sold in Vernon by Ferguson Drug Company and leading druggists everywhere. Adv. 11

## CLUBS AND LODGES

### Eastern Star Meets Tonight.

There will be a meeting of Eastern Star tonight at 7:30 at the Masonic hall.

### Harrold Club Had Special Meeting.

Boys and girls of the Home Demonstration club at Harrold held a special meeting Wednesday in which each member had a subject assigned for discussion. Poultry, gardening, and home improvement work were the topics dealt with. Especially good talks were made by George King on selection of poultry, and Abner Morris on selection of eggs for setting.

### High School Club Meets.

The first meeting of the High School Social Club met with Mary Katherine Massie Tuesday night. Valentine decorations were used and games of hearts were enjoyed throughout the evening. Refreshments were served the following present: Misses Lemmie Bonner, Mary Myatt Shive, Hazel Vaughn, Clara Will Lane, Clara Leutwyler, Lorraine Brunson, Christine Workman, Ruth Walker, Ruby Seals, Adaline Donges, Eda Maud Lutz, Edith Whitley, Mildred Hansard, and Marguerite Thomas; and Messrs. Thornton Ferguson, A. M. Hiatt, Evans Mason, John B. Waller, George Colter, Delphus Bourland, Hugh Bourland, Merritt Hawley, J. D. Morris, Jimmie Robinson, Charlie Blackwood, Frank Massie, Andy Thompson and Esker Curtis.

### Notice Farmers.

CORRECTION—Through error our ad of Tuesday stated our ginning days as Tuesday and Fridays and Saturdays. This should have read—Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

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### Kerosene 13c a Gallon.

Buy your kerosene from us—by the gallon or barrel—13c a gallon. BROWN'S CASH GRO.

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Our way means about thirty minutes a week of your time. Just the time necessary to bundle up the washing, give it to our representative, receive it from him a few days later and put it away. That's all.

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You will like our service because it is prompt, dependable and satisfactory.

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## A Test We Can Cheerfully Welcome

If these days of "readjustment" do nothing more for you than to bring you better understanding of banking facilities and banking service, the lesson is well worth your while. It is in such times that the value of your banking connection is put to the test.

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Company  
VERNON, TEXAS







## CURING POTATOES A SIMPLE MATTER, SAYS STATE EXPERT

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ther than those not treated and also taste better, said the expert. Curing tends to convert the starch into sugar and give them a richer flavor.

In dealing with means of financing the plant, Mr. Miller pointed out that at Texarkana growers signed notes for the amount required to build the house, and paid these off with their crop. The building was settled for the first year, he said.

Porto Rico and Nancy Hall potatoes are the most acceptable for market, said Mr. Miller. The Porto Rico variety keeps better than any other, and the only objection to it is the fact that it often grows too large.

### Agree on Digging Time.

Concerning filling the potato plant, Mr. Miller stated that it would be most desirable for growers to agree on a certain time for digging. The crop could then be brought to the plant during a certain period and a 5,000 bushel house should be filled within two weeks. The entire services of one man would be required only during the time the house is being filled. The cost of operation then, would be the salary of the manager and the wages of extra help required at rush periods. The house would be filled only once during a season.

Forty-two thousand feet of lumber, most of it shiplap, would be required for the construction of a 5,000 bushel house, Mr. Miller said. The cost of building would be fifty cents for every bushel capacity.

At the close of the talk by the expert from A. and M., those present spent the remainder of the session in questioning him in detail concerning every phase of the sweet potato industry.

Following is the plan suggested by Mr. Miller for the establishment of a sweet potato curing company here. It is known as the California plan and has been used with great success by the growers of that state.

### Vernon Sweet Potato Curing Co., Inc.

(1) This company shall consist of sweet potato growers and others interested in developing the sweet potato industry in the Vernon community.

(2) This stock shall consist of two kinds viz: (1) common stock owned exclusively by actual growers. (2) Preferred stock owned by others than growers.

(3) The preferred stock shall be for investment only and shall bring a specified dividend agreed upon. This stock shall have no voting power.

(4) The common stock shall receive the same rate of dividend as the preferred and shall have voting power, based on one vote for each stockholder.

(5) All growers who store potatoes shall be charged 20c per bushel at time of storage.

(6) The potatoes shall be pooled according to grade and sold co-operatively. At each shipment potatoes will be taken from each grower's stock in proportion to number of bushels stored.

(7) Each grower's potatoes shall be kept separate in the house until sold and each grower will be given credit at time of sale for the actual number of bushels or pounds sold from his stock of potatoes.

(8) Growers shall receive seventy-five per cent of the net price received for each car load sold less the twenty cents per bushel for storage charges, as soon as payment has been received for such sales. The 20 cents shall be used for expenses.

(9) After all potatoes have been sold, all expenses such as dividend on preferred and common stock, expenses for operating the house, etc., which were not paid for with the 20 cents per bushel charge, shall be deducted from the 25 per cent still due the growers and the balance prorated to the growers in proportion to the amount still due them.

(10) Complete records are to be kept of all transactions and the books audited at least once a year.

### Kinchee Buildings Completed.

The Kinchee buildings on W. Pease St. are practically completed, according to a contractor in charge of the work, and two of the stores spaces are ready for occupancy with another promised in the next few days. The steam heating system in the building is said to be one of the largest and most complete systems in the State. One hundred radiators will be supplied from the boiler. All that remains is to set glass in the front of one of the store spaces.

### Kerosene Is Cheaper.

Kerosene only 12c a gallon. Buy it by the barrel or gallon at BROWN'S CASH GRO.

Elder J. T. Cate is conducting a two weeks' revival in Thalia, for the Church of Christ.

## DRILLERS CONTINUE BUSY

### Pyramid Well Is Nearing Completion—H. and F. Encounters Rock Early In Week.

Drillers on the Pyramid well are still busy making final touches in completing the hole, and are now engaged in straight reaming and will go down the hole once more with a roller bit. The time for completion of the well is not yet definitely known.

The H. and F., which spudded in early in the week, encountered rock at a shallow depth and has experienced some difficulty with tools. Steady progress is reported, however, and inclement weather is not expected to materially slow up operations.

No new developments are reported for the B. Churchill. The hole is down about 1,700 feet, one of the officials stated, and boiler trouble, which halted progress a week ago, has been eliminated.

### ELLIOTT CLUB DISCUSSED POULTRY AND GARDENING

The Elliott Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. C. B. Mason at her home, one mile from Elliott, Monday afternoon.

After singing some familiar songs the members discussed poultry and gardening. Plans were made for an all day meeting at Mrs. Crim's home February 28 at which hat making will be demonstrated.

Those present were: Mesdames Pearl Lemons, Dora Baggett, Grady Ashley, Walter Kirk, Edd Waggoner, M. A. Patton, J. H. Downs, Mary Edwards, J. R. Lemons, Ruth Goss, J. W. Swinney, J. R. Glover, Charlie Cox, Hobart Rainwater, F. H. Henderson, F. E. Hutchens, S. H. Kirk, E. E. Snodgrass, H. W. Jackson, Sarah Dillon, S. B. Henry, R. A. Rivers, D. M. Julian, R. B. Wilkerson, Nell Noyes, E. M. Yerby, W. T. Hutchens, R. L. Luttrell, W. E. Crim, Joe Boaz, P. C. Rainwater, F. H. Stehman, Chas. W. Taylor, M. A. Birch of Floydada, W. F. Birch of Floydada, Verda Snodderly of New Mexico, and Misses Estelle Kirk, Sue Gribble of Harrold, Eula Goodfellow and Edith Lacey both of Vernon.

### JUNIOR DIRECTORS MET WITH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Newly elected junior directors of the Chamber of Commerce met last night for the first time with the executive committee of the commercial organization to have outlined to them the duties they are expected to execute in the future in reference to chamber of commerce work. They were told they are expected to assist the senior directors and the executive committee in carrying out the policies of the Chamber of Commerce and at the same time receive training for service to the institution in the future.

The junior directors present at the meeting were C. R. Holder, E. M. Haney, Curtis Renfro, P. H. Robinson, Jr., A. D. Shepherd, Roy Abbott, C. F. Swartwood, E. L. McCarter, W. T. Berry, Howard Timberlake, Walter B. McCalieb, Elzie Youngblood, Joe Parker, T. L. Rouse, Chauncey Puckett, A. A. Hingst, and Sam Napier.

### Marvin Sharp Injured In Fall.

Marvin Sharp, a young farmer living east of town, was painfully injured Tuesday when he fell from a wagon load of oats he was delivering to the Ferguson and Martin Coal Co., on W. Texas street. Sharp struck the paving on the back of his head and until late in the night did not regain his faculties. He was removing the cover from the oats when he stepped out over the back of the wagon. His condition is reported as much improved.

### Big Fire at Brownwood.

Following a mysterious explosion in Brownwood Monday, fire wiped out an entire business block at a loss of \$250,000. Business houses destroyed included the R. B. Rogers Dry Goods Co., Dixie Theatre, Moore Construction Company, Brownwood Electric Company, and the Coggin National Bank was damaged. Authorities believe burglars attempted to blow a safe in the theater where the fire started.

### Artists Might Have Come Here

Eight well-known Victor artists who will appear in Wichita Falls March 1 might have come to Vernon had accommodations here been more adequate, according to one local dealer who has charge of the Vernon seat sale. Local theaters are too small to handle an audience large enough to pay for bringing the musicians here. A block of fifty seats has been reserved for persons from Vernon.

### Kerosene Is Cheaper.

Kerosene only 12c a gallon. Buy it by the barrel or gallon at BROWN'S CASH GRO.

### Have Free Maps of Highway.

One hundred free maps of the Colorado-to-Gulf Highway Association have been received by the Chamber of Commerce. They cover the entire route from Galveston to the Rockies.

O—U Money. We have plenty to loan on improved farms. Davis & Summerour. 87-tfe

## HOW TO STOP THAT HICCOUGH.



The Medical Society of French Hospitals has found that hiccoughs may be stopped in a simple way by pressing the index finger firmly on the fifth cervical nerve. Dr. Royal S. Copeland, Health Commissioner of New York City, is shown in the photograph illustrating the French method.

### STATE GETS \$74,000 IN TAXES FROM WILBARGER

Over \$74,000 has been forwarded by the county collector to the state department for taxes collected here during the season just passed. This includes all taxes except those paid for automobiles.

According to C. M. Blair, collector, five or six hundred owners in Wilbarger county have not as yet paid for their new licenses. They are liable to arrest at any time, Mr. Blair said, unless this obligation is promptly met. Plenty of seals are on hand at the local office in the court house.

F. M. Brown of Wichita Falls is now with the Vernon drug store. Mr. Brown was formerly connected with the establishment during 1919. He takes the place left vacant by the resignation of Jack Barnes.

### BRICK LAYERS REDUCE WAGES.

Men Agree to Scale of \$12 a Day During Next Year Beginning March 1.

A reduction of \$2 a day in wages has been agreed to by brick layers. The lower price takes effect March 1, and will continue in effect for twelve months. The former schedule was \$14 a day.

This agreement was made between the workers and Contractors J. O. Dove, J. A. Carney, O. A. Swinburn, and Allen & Davis.

This reduction will tend to give stability to business, is the way one of the men put it, and we had rather have that than to have \$14 a day for a time, with a slight reduction, and a further reduction later on.

See us for money on farms. Davis & Summerour. 87-tfe

## At The Churches

### Methodist.

REV. S. W. HAYNE, Pastor  
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.  
Morning preaching service at 11 a. m. Subject—"The Testimony of Experience to the Dicty of Jesus."  
Epworth League at 6 p. m.  
Evening church service at 7 o'clock—Subject—"I Am Debtor."  
Prayer meeting at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday.

### Central Christian.

GUS RAMAGE, Pastor.  
Bible School for all ages at 9:45 a. m.  
Communion service and morning sermon at 11 a. m.  
Evening sermon at 7:15 o'clock. Subject—"The Way of the Cross," illustrated with chart.  
Prayer meeting at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening.  
Children's story hour and supervised play, Saturday at 3 o'clock.

### Church of Christ.

FOY E. WALLACE, Jr., Evangelist.  
Bible School at 9:45 a. m.  
Preaching at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m.  
Lord's Supper at 12 m., every Lord's Day.

### Baptist.

REV. W. T. ROUSE, Pastor.  
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.  
Morning preaching service at 11 a. m.  
The theme for the Sunday morning sermon at the First Baptist Church will be "The Cursing Church Member."  
Sunbeams and Junior Union at 2:30 p. m.  
Senior B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m.  
Evening preaching service at 7:20 p. m.  
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:15.

There will be eight active deacons chosen by the church Sunday morning. Every member urged to be present.

### Lutheran.

REV. J. A. BIRNBAUM, Pastor.  
Church service at 10:30 a. m.

### Presbyterian.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.

### Christian Science.

Services are held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the City Hall auditorium.

### Negro Wanted On Theft Charge.

Clim Williams, a negro wanted in Chillicothe on a theft charge, was taken into custody here Sunday evening by Deputy Sheriff J. W. Carrington. He was held until officers from Chillicothe came here Monday.

### Lister Points.

If that is what you want we can fit your lister.

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### Miller's Antiseptic Oil, Known as

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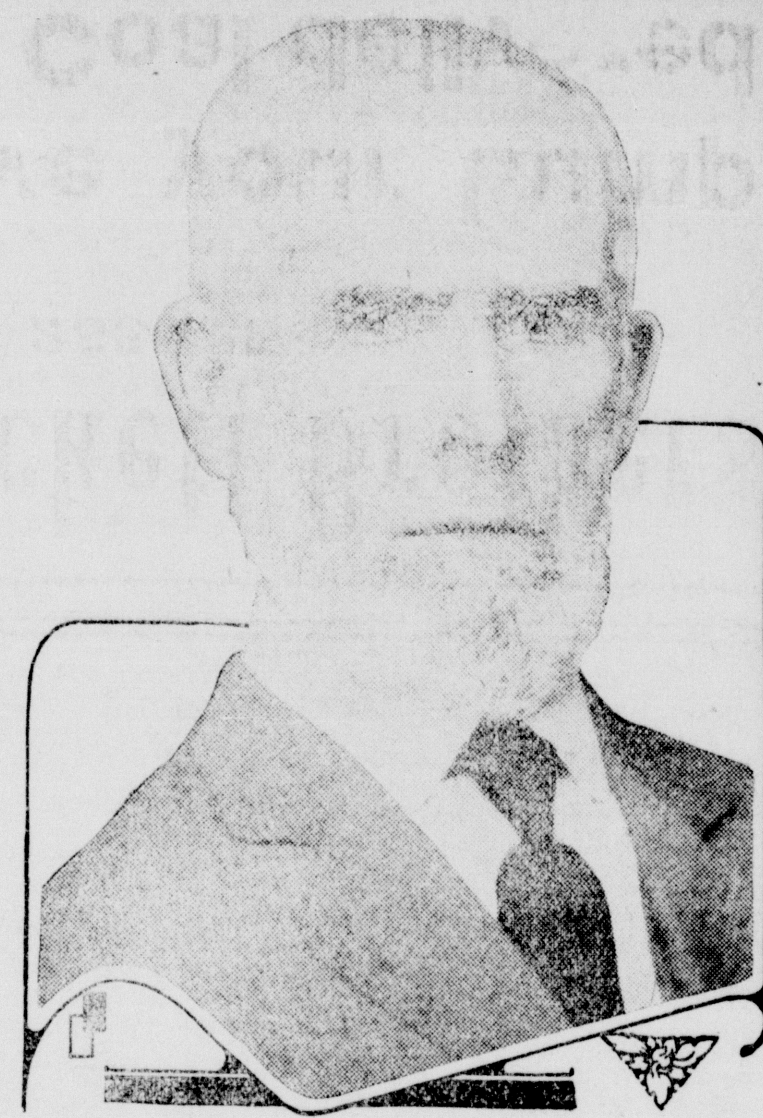
A new remedy used externally for Coughs, Croup, Indigestion, Sore Throat, Diphtheria and Tonstills.

This oil is conceded to be the most penetrating remedy known. Its prompt and immediate effect in relieving pain is due to the fact that it penetrates the affected parts at once. As a lubrication, pour ten drops on the sole of a piece of sole leather and it will penetrate this substance through and through in three minutes.

Accept no substitute. This genuine is golden red color only. Manufactured by H. J. Lee Medicine Co. only, and it at the

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## Quaker Minister Is Grateful to Tanlac



Rev. Parker Moon

Nearly everybody in Southwest Missouri either knows or has heard of the Rev. Parker Moon, who for a full half century has devoted his life and talents to Sunday school and organization work for the Society of Friends or Quakers.

"Uncle Parker," as he is more familiarly known, came from fine old rugged Quaker stock, and there is not a better known or more highly respected citizen in that part of the state. In referring to his remarkable restoration to health by Tanlac, he said:

"About five years ago I suffered a general breakdown. My principal trouble was nervous indigestion. My appetite was very poor and my food seldom agreed with me, and I had to live on a very restricted diet. I suffered a great deal from headaches and dizzy spells; I had severe pains across the small of my back and was badly constipated most of the time. In fact, I was so weak and rundown I was not able to attend to my duties.

"This condition made me very nervous and I could not sleep at night. Frequently I would be awake most all night and was in that condition more or less for five years. My physician said he could not do anything for me

and suggested a change of climate. I then moved to Texas and went back and forth three times but did not get the relief I had hoped for. Finally, I got so bad that I was not able to get around with any degree of comfort. I was also told I had heart trouble.

"I had read about Tanlac and, as it had been very highly recommended to me, I decided to try it. I got a bottle and had taken only a few doses until I could notice a marked improvement in my condition. I noticed especially that I was not troubled any more with sour stomach after eating, which was a great relief.

"I kept on taking Tanlac until I fully regained my health. My appetite is splendid; I enjoy my meals and I do not find it necessary now to take any laxative medicines of any kind. I can sleep much better and am not nearly so nervous.

"I take great pleasure in recommending Tanlac to anyone who needs a good system builder, or who suffers with stomach trouble. I have recommended Tanlac to a great many of my friends and am pleased to reach others by giving this statement for publication."

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## SAYS PUBLIC HAS WRONG CONCEPTION OF PRICE LEVEL

Several Local Merchants Believe Price Slashing of Last Fall Will Make Present Scale Appear Comparatively High—Manufacturers Making Effort to Restore Public Confidence.

Price slashing of last fall has created a false level in the minds of people concerning what may be expected for the spring, according to several local merchants who have recently returned from eastern markets. Although goods have in reality declined under the level of even last spring, the "rock bottom" reductions that featured sales of the fall will make the new scale appear comparatively high. Goods are still considerably above pre war level, it is pointed out, and there is doubt in the minds of a majority of the merchants as to whether they will ever again reach the former scale. Last fall, it is said, merchants were obliged to move stocks at almost any sacrifice in order to get the goods off their shelves and liquidate their obligations. This helped force the scale of prices to a lower depth than was at all normal.

According to one local merchant, there will probably be a decline in prices for the next three years but it will be a most gradual one. Any radical drop would entail a drastic cut in wages as well as the prices paid for raw materials, and this would be certain to work a hardship.

### Merchants Buying Light.

Prices this spring will be made more attractive, however, because of the fact that merchants are buying light and at the new scale of prices. This will result in a reduction on the part of the manufacturers in order to induce heavier buying. The biggest decline thus far, it is said, is in the price of cotton goods. Silks, too, have slumped on the market. This is largely responsible for the market reduction in the price of ladies' wear which one merchant characterized as having declined fifty per cent. Men's clothes were placed at forty per cent lower by the same merchant. Shoes, too, have at last dropped in price and can be obtained at more nearly the former prices.

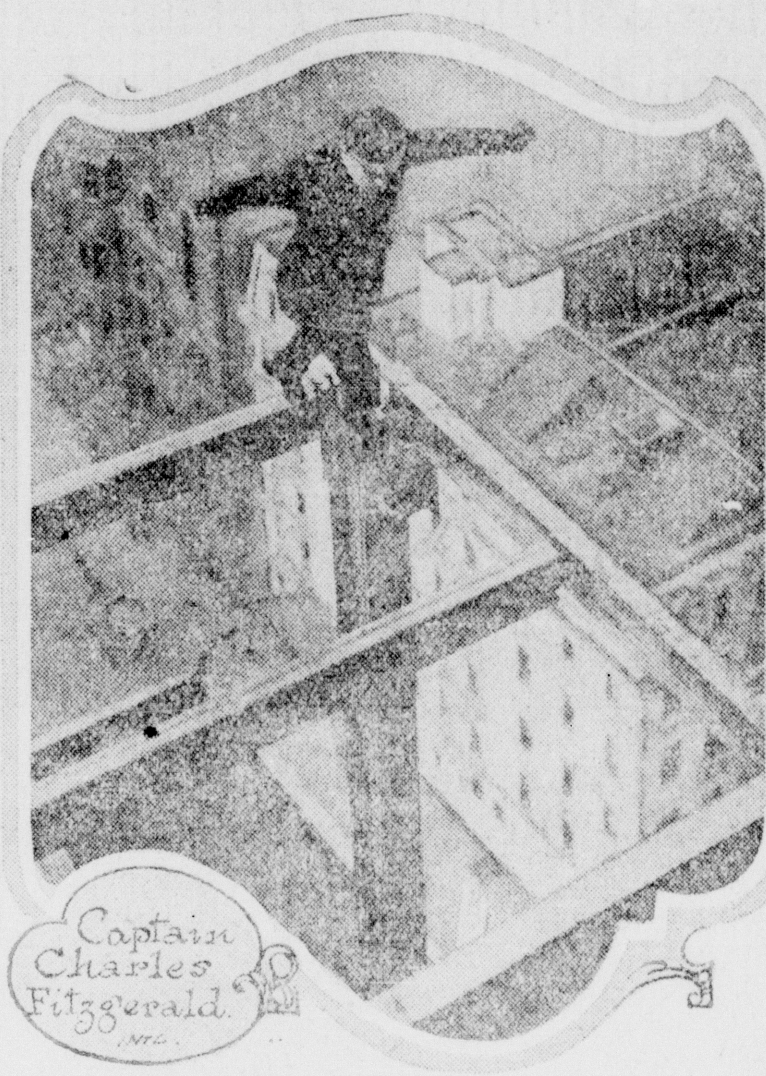
The proprietor of a local notion store states that eastern manufacturers are optimistic over prospects for the future. It is said that these operators will be content if they can continue to pay wages and operating expenses over this year and make a bare profit. It is hoped, said this merchant, the people will cease crying for lower prices in order that the merchant may make future contracts with the manufacturers and thus steady trade.

Articles will probably never reach the pre war level, in the opinion of this dealer, and in his estimation they are as low as they will be in the next six months.

A third buyer who has just returned from the east illustrated the scale of prices by means of a graph. Prices next spring will not be markedly below those of last spring, according to this merchant, because of the fact that a year ago goods were sold on the basis of prices contracted for the preceding fall when the scale was still on the increase. Although goods in the spring were in reality high, they had been bought six months before when prices were more reasonable, and thus the dealer was able to sell them comparatively reasonable. The peak in prices, it is pointed out, was reached last August, and after that the scale began to diminish. However, goods sold this spring were contracted for last fall after the peak had not long passed, and consequently must be sold on that basis. This will make the level seem comparatively high for this season, the merchant said.

Too, he said, labor is not declining in proportion to other factors. Wage earners who formerly received \$15 a week have been getting \$45, and although there has been some reduction amounting on an average to about ten per cent or even twenty, they are still receiving twice as much as formerly. People waited low prices, said this dealer, and then when they came the people found they did not want them after all. Cotton was the first product struck a severe blow, and now sentiment is rightly in favor of an increase in the price of this product. On an average, said this merchant, goods will be about ten per cent cheaper than they were last spring.

## "GIRDER GLIDE"—SOME FOX TROT.



Captain Charles N. Fitzgerald, aerialist and head of the New York Air Police, is the originator and is seen practicing the step atop a New York skyscraper some 700 or 800 feet above Broadway. The "girdler glide," it might be assumed, gives one that nice bit of poise so much to be desired. To practise it, pick out a new skyscraper and hop from girder to girder, but leave your accident insurance policy home on the piano.

## DEVELOPMENT TO START IN EARNEST

SIGLER DRILLING COMPANY PLAN TO START SEVERAL NEW WELLS.

Considerable development may be looked for in the Sigler field, according to one of the officials of the Sigler Drilling Company, in view of the fact that it is planned to put down new wells in the near future. One, on the Hegwood lease, one-half mile south of the H. and E. and one and one-eighth miles southwest of Sigler number 1, will spud in tomorrow, according to George L. Hegwood of Omaha, associated with Lloyd Sigler in the drilling company. Work on erecting a derrick was started Sunday, the machinery and equipment was moved to the location, and all is now in readiness to start.

Another location has been made one and one-quarter miles north of the present Pyramid location, and it is expected to start drilling there within thirty days. The lease is held by the Sigler Drilling Co.

"We are going ahead with development in the field," said Mr. Hegwood this morning. "Progress has necessarily been somewhat slow recently, but we are going to start out now in earnest."

### MUST PAY AUTO LICENSES.

City Police Will Prosecute Those Who Have Not Bought Seals And Do Not Display Them.

Automobile licenses must be paid for by March 1 and displayed plainly on all cars, according to an announcement made yesterday by Marshal R. H. Bratton. Those who do not comply with this regulation will be promptly prosecuted, he said. The state highway license must be displayed along with the serial number.

"Too many persons pay for their licenses and then forget to put them on the cars," said Mr. Bratton. "There is no way for us to know that they have them at home when we stop them, and that sort of story will not go. The law is very clear upon that subject."

Motorists are also cautioned to make adjustments in their lights. Many cars, said the police officer, have but one headlight and no tail lights. These must be remedied immediately to meet with the requirements of the law.

### Mill Has Ferrets to Catch Rats.

Two ferrets are in possession of the Kell Mill with which to catch rats. According to A. C. Rayzor, the little animals are wonderfully effective in ridding the mill of the rodents and are causing many to quit the vicinity of the mill. The ferrets drive down into the rat holes and fight the animals. Ferrets do not eat the rats, said Mr. Rayzor, but after killing them suck their blood.

## VERNON MOTHER IS CHOSEN FOR HONOR

MRS. C. J. FARRELL MADE A DIRECTOR IN STATE ORGANIZATION.

At a recent meeting of the board of managers of the Texas Congress of Mothers Mrs. C. J. Farrell of Vernon was elected a member of the board of directors of that organization. Mrs. Farrell has accepted the honor and is the only lady chosen from West Texas. She was president of the first district for 1919 and 1920, and six years previous served as vice-president. Other members of the board are Mrs. Pat Neff, wife of Texas' governor; Mrs. William Hobbs, wife of ex-governor of Texas; Miss Annie Webb Blanton, state superintendent of schools; Mrs. E. A. Watters of Fort Worth; Mrs. Ella Caruthers Porter of Dallas; Mrs. J. S. Turner of Dallas; Mrs. W. B. Toome of Lampasas; Mrs. J. G. McGrady of El Paso; and Mrs. Worth Jones of Mexico.

### Is Charter Member.

Mrs. Farrell is a charter member of the Texas Congress of Mothers having gone from here in 1909 to Dallas as the mayor's delegate when the organization was founded. She has since been very active in its work.

"Child Welfare" is the motto of the Texas Congress of Mothers and the body works hand in hand with the Parent-Teachers Association. The two organizations have been given an office at the State Capitol and a bill is now pending before the Legislature asking for an appropriation of \$12,000 for extension work by the two societies. Miss Annie Webb Blanton, state superintendent of schools, is sponsor of the bill.

### ALL DAY MEETING WEDNESDAY.

Oklahoma Home Improvement Club Will Have Demonstration On Hat Making.

Hat making will be the program for the Oklahoma Home Improvement Club Wednesday. The meeting will be held with Mrs. Logan Creager, and will continue all day.

Miss Edith Lacey, home demonstration agent, and Miss Eula Goodfellow, assistant in home economics, will give the demonstration.

Women are requested to bring their lunch.

### Coins for Fuses May Start Fires.

Numerous homes in Vernon are in danger of fire, according to J. N. Johnson, manager of the local public service company, because owners are putting coins behind plugs leading into the house instead of using fuses. In the event there is a defective wire inside flames may quickly be started, he said. Many house owners put a penny behind a plug when lights go out and forget to replace it with a fuse.

## ROAD OVERSEERS IN COUNTY CUT DOWN IN NUMBER

Commissioners' Court Decides To Make Individuals Responsible For More Territory—Road Reports Slow in Coming in—Appoint New Overseers for County.

The number of road overseers in commissioners' precincts in Wilbarger county has been reduced this week by the court in order to make a more effective system of highway supervision. The lines of all the commissioners' precincts have also been changed, some of the road precincts in these being consolidated, while in others additional precincts have been added.

Under the system of road supervision recently in vogue, one overseer was responsible for a comparatively short stretch of highway. Thus, if his services were of a high order and those of his neighbor were the opposite, the traveler over the highway enjoyed the good stretch of road only for a short distance. Under the present arrangement, each overseer will be responsible for more territory and it will be a comparatively simple matter to make sure that each is fulfilling his office.

Three road precincts have been cut from the commissioner's precinct under J. S. Archer, three from the one under A. M. Bourland, three from the one under O. A. McCaleb and three added to that of J. M. Luttrell. Those road precincts eliminated have been consolidated with others.

### Reports Are Slow.

The commissioners' court complains that many road overseers have not as yet made reports. This lagging is most noticeable in the precincts of J. S. Archer, who has one-third of his reports, and O. A. McCaleb, who has but half.

Dry weather is causing the commissioners some perplexity, one of them stated yesterday. "There is just one relief," he said, "you don't get stuck in a bog anywhere." Sand has been blowing badly in most of the rural districts.

Road overseers appointed this week and the precincts for which they are appointed are as follows:

Precinct 1, S. C. Davenport; precinct 2, O. K. Hafer; precinct 3, P. H. Blankenship; precinct 5, T. J. Milner; precinct 6, G. A. Thompson; precinct 7, Bill Anderson; precinct 8, W. W. Cagle; precinct 9, Walter Baker; precinct 11, O. M. Pigg; precinct 13, John Box; precinct 14, George Tilley; precinct 16, Ben Lowe, precinct 17, George Streit.

## WOULD REDISTRIC FOR LEGISLATURE

BILL NOW PENDING MAY GIVE WILBARGER MORE ASSURED REPRESENTATION.

A bill providing for a redistricting of representation in the State Legislature is now pending in that body and was favorably reported on last week. Although the entire state is affected, Wilbarger county is particularly so inasmuch as the passage of the bill with or without the amendments it now carries would change the representation from here.

At present Wilbarger and Wichita counties are represented in the Legislature by one representative. The bill as submitted would place Wilbarger, Foard and Hardeman together as a district, thus making this county share with two others.

An amendment, favorably reported upon last week, gives to Wichita county two representatives and to Wichita and Wilbarger together, one. This is considered more favorable to Wilbarger's interests inasmuch as the one extra representative will in all probability be conceded to this county each time. At least, it is thought, Wilbarger's interests will be as well protected as at present.

### Early Morning Fire at Childress.

Fire originated in a rooming house over the Childress Drug Company at 2 o'clock Monday morning damaged the building and one adjacent to the extent of about \$10,000. Only the heroic and consistent work of the fire department prevented the loss of the entire block and possibly some of the buildings across the street.

## GOWNS MRS. HARDING WILL WEAR IN WHITE HOUSE.



One of the most attractive purchases made by Mrs. Harding on her shopping trip to New York was a tea gown of mauve chiffon, as illustrated in the accompanying photograph. The upper section of the gown is composed of gold lace with green tassels in front and a silver and mauve sash around the waist. The train is also of mauve chiffon. The gown was designed by Elsie, Ltd., of New York.

## MISS HUFF URGES "GOOD COMMITTEE"

RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVE SAYS NURSE NEEDS CO-OPERATION.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Wilbarger County chapter of the American Red Cross was held in the Chamber of Commerce office this morning for the purpose of conferring with Miss Louise Huff, of St. Louis, field representative for the Southwestern Division, and for the purpose of transacting some business.

Miss Huff discussed the opening of a health center here and the inauguration of the work of the visiting nurse. She said that she was confident that the Red Cross nurse would be a success here but she urged, in helping to make it so, a number of things. In the first place she said that it would be necessary to have these four persons as members of the nursing committee: one to efficiently handle the public, because, she explained, the work will not be a success unless the people throughout the county are made to know and feel the importance of the work; second, some one who can further carry on the publicity work by speaking before the public gatherings and different clubs and organizations on the work that is being done; and third and fourth, two persons who can go with the nurse on her visits to school to assist in the weighing and measuring of children.

### Nurse Has Many Duties.

It is absolutely essential, Miss Huff explained, to the success of the program, that the committee backing the nurse be a fair minded one, and one that will assume the executive portions of the work. Its members should personally see to it that the nurse is given a place in the social community and that she is made to feel a real part of it and not merely its tool.

When asked to outline briefly and concisely the duties of a Red Cross community nurse Miss Huff said, "She gives prenatal care and instructions to mothers; examines children under school age as often as parents request it and examines school children at least once a year; gives bedside care on a visiting basis but she does not diagnose and does not prescribe, nor is she allowed to recommend any certain physician; she takes especial note of tubercular cases, reporting them and taking steps for the prevention of spreading; she helps in all sanitary movements, clean-up campaigns, etc., and holds clinics and distributes literature at fairs, potlucks and such like."

### Many Accepts Fees for Red Cross.

The nurse may accept fees for her work, Miss Huff said, from those who

## THINKS COUNTIES FAVORABLY LOCATED

AN ELECTRA FARMER BELIEVES THIS SECTION HAS RICH FARMING BELT.

Wichita and Wilbarger counties have every natural resource at hand to develop into the leading agricultural section of the state of Texas, if not in the United States, according to P. G. Krohn of Electra, who owns five farms located in these two counties.

Mr. Krohn has made a scientific study of farming for a number of years and is a man who believes in a big spirit of co-operation between landlord and tenant farmer. In following this policy it is interesting to note that not a single farmer living on any of his places has found it necessary to ask the banks for loans during the recent demoralization of prices in farm products.

In speaking of the productiveness of the soil between the Pense and Wichita rivers, Mr. Krohn remarked that he is a native of Missouri and lived for years in one of its richest farming belts. He has observed the highly advanced methods of cultivation in California, Colorado and Ohio and believes that none of these states offers a better soil than that found in the district referred to. He said that in Ohio, for instance, the nature of soil varies so much that one portion of a quarter section farm will not produce certain crops, while on the other end of the same farm the product will flourish.

He stated that the Wichita-Wilbarger belt is uniform and land situated an equal distance from Red River is of about the same character generally as that which eliminates the necessity of exhaustive analysis of the soil that is found necessary in other points. It is his belief that scientific methods should be employed to bring up the efficiency and full productiveness of our farms.

Farm demonstrators of the right kind are very beneficial to the farmers, he said. Wilbarger county has taken advantage of this method and is producing noteworthy results.

### Will Honor Visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Johnson will entertain at their home tonight with a dance honoring Miss Marie Anderson. The young friends of the California visitor have been asked for 8:30 o'clock.

### New House on W. Wilbarger St.

J. G. Dore, local contractor, is planning to build a new residence for himself one block west of the paving on West Wilbarger street. The house will be of six rooms, brick, and steam heated. The estimated cost is \$9,000.

## CURING POTATOES A SIMPLE MATTER, SAYS STATE EXPERT

E. A. Miller of A. & M. College Told Farmers and Business Men Wednesday That Requirements for Treatment Are Easily Met—Denver Railroad Representative Also Spoke.

At a gathering of business men and farmers Wednesday afternoon in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, the matter of a sweet potato curing and storage plant for Vernon was discussed from all angles by E. A. Miller, sweet potato expert from Texas A. and M. College. Mr. Miller's talk was prefaced by a few remarks from M. B. Oates, agricultural agent for the Denver railroad who informed his audience that sweet potatoes fit in excellently with a diversified system of farming and form an appreciable source of income. He stated that Vernon is as good a point as any along the Denver railroad for the establishment of a curing plant, and in view of the fact that it will add to the income of business men of the city, the merchants as well as the growers should be interested. Mr. Oates cautioned against using the plans for curing plants submitted by private individuals. These will prove of considerable more expense, he said, than those submitted free of charge by the state agricultural college.

Sweet potatoes are a safe crop to experiment with, Mr. Oates pointed out, and the efficiency of curing plants has been clearly demonstrated in other sections. Such a plant, he said, is the first step in proper marketing.

### Advocates Conservation.

E. A. Miller informed those present that he does not recommend raising sweet potatoes on an extensive scale. Their desirability is emphasized only as one of the factors of diversified farming. Curing the potatoes is comparatively simple, he said, but adds immeasurably to their desirability.

The amount of moisture evaporated from the potatoes depends upon the conditions under which they are dug, said Mr. Miller. If they are taken from the ground in wet weather, there is naturally more moisture in the potatoes, but ten days to two weeks is sufficient to do the work. A temperature of seventy-five to eighty degrees is maintained in the curing plant, and this is sufficient to destroy any disease in the vegetables and still not kill the sprouts. Once cured, the temperature of the building is maintained at about fifty-five degrees through the use of ventilators, Mr. Miller said, and by keeping the potatoes dry and cool they are kept free from disease.

### Explained Construction.

The expert from A. and M. explained thoroughly the proper construction of a curing plant. He stated that the most satisfactory material is wood as this permits less condensation of moisture. The house is built on pillars to prevent moisture seeping in from the ground and the floor, walls and ceiling are of double layer ship lap with gilding paper between. This provides a dead air space that is a non-conductor of moisture. Trap doors in the floor and ceiling provide a good system of ventilation. An inverted system of heating is used and ventilators are provided in both the stoves and the flues. This makes for little difference in temperature between the top and the bottom of the room.

Good slips are essential in guarding against disease, Mr. Miller said. An effort should be made to have them guaranteed by those from whom they are obtained. Dipping in a solution of one ounce of corrosive sublimate to eight gallons of water will kill disease in the plants and make them more vigorous.

### Careful Handling Essential.

Careful handling of potatoes is the field is essential, according to the lecturer. Baskets and crates should be provided and the yield hauled to the storage house in spring wagons to prevent excessive jarring. Potatoes without bruises will keep and sell better, it was pointed out.

Potatoes should be dug before frost Mr. Miller said. When the leaves are gone evaporation is stopped, and the roots take up all the water in the plant, thereby making the potato become water logged. It is better to put them in the curing plant somewhat green than too saturated with moisture.

Cured potatoes can be shipped fur-

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# Vernon Opera House

"WHERE THE STARS SHINE THE BRIGHTEST"  
Pipe Organ Music—Matinee and Night by Mr. E. J. McBride

FRIDAY—TODAY—FRIDAY



## Elsie FERGUSON in "LADY ROSE'S DAUGHTER"

From the novel by Mrs. Humphrey Ward, revealing the love life of a woman who found that her "blue blood was red."

Universal Century Comedy

"A FISHING STORY."



SATURDAY

## "Doug" FAIRBANKS

In  
"American Aristocracy"

A spontaneous combustion of complications, wherein Douglas does everything.

ALSO  
Universal Comedy  
"Nearly Married."

EXTRA  
EDDIE POLO in Episode  
Three of  
"King of the Circus."



MONDAY.

## Piquant and Adorable VIOLA DANA in "Blackmail"

The Thrilling Romance of Silk Stockinged Crookdom.

Also Literary Digest "Topics of the Day" and Pathe News.

COMING TUESDAY:

Four Acts of Loew Vaudeville (see ad elsewhere) and an All-Star Cast in "THE LURE OF YOUTH."

### Fargo News

Fargo, Feb. 17.—(By special correspondence.)—Marvin Sweetmon returned home Sunday morning from Houston where he has been under medical treatment. He expects to return in thirty days.

Miss Maud Richards spent the week end at home with her parents. She is teaching school at Hank Hill.

Mrs. D. L. Lovelace entertained the young folks Friday evening with a party.

Miss Edith Lacy, home demonstrator, and County Superintendent J. N. Fitcher visited the school Tuesday morning in interest of the club work.

Miss Minnie O'Leary has come home today. She has been going to Holcomb Training school but has finished.

Miss Jimmy Fox of Vernon has been visiting her cousins, Misses Maudie and Maude Richards.

Carl Greene entertained a number of his friends Monday evening with a birthday party. The house was decorated with Valentines, it being the 14th of February. After an enjoyable evening was spent refreshments were served consisting of heart shaped cakes and hot chocolate. Those present were as follows: Neita Mason, Lu-

cie Rheay, Fay Cullum, Lela Miller, Mattie Lou Mason, Mabel McLaughlin, and Dan Oliver, Boyd Oliver, Vincent Crisp, Noel Hays, Raymond Sweetmon, Ennis Oliver, Lenwood Waddell, George Narded, J. T. Castleberry, Roy Mason, Roy Cullum.

Hart Sherrer is hauling lumber for a new house.

The young folks enjoyed a singing at the home of Misses Effie and Thelma Linsey Sunday night.

The following have been Vernon visitors the past week: Misses Ethel Sweetmon, Lorraine Switzer, Mabel Sprawls, Willie Conner, Bonnie Deal, Janie Greene, Maudie Richards, Thelma and Effie Linsey, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hooser, Robert May, Charlotte Wilhelm, Orr Cato, Bryan Hutchinson, and Wylie Sweetmon.

Miss Augusta Castleberry went to Chillicothe Saturday.

There will be singing at the Baptist church Sunday afternoon, February 20. Everybody is invited to attend.

George Eklund, formerly a Cashier of Vernon and now of Breckinridge, returned to Breckinridge Tuesday after three days visit here. He is on business at Breckinridge with the Klondike formerly assistant manager of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce.

## GO TO THEATRE

At the Pictorium

Today and tomorrow—Anita Stewart in "Harriet and the Piper." Additional today, Neal Hart in "Elements of Night." Additional tomorrow, "Vanishing Trails," and a Muti and Jeff comedy.

Anita Stewart is twice wed in this latest picture of hers. "The first marriage is to Ward Crane, who plays the part of a leader in the gay Bohemian life of Greenwich Village. It is a lawless free-love ceremony and of course doesn't count. The second is to Charles Richmond, who plays the part of Richard Carter, of a fashionable and prominently respectable family. But even this marriage has an unfortunate beginning. Harriet Field, played by the star, awakens to a realization of her error just in time to flee from her Greenwich Village husband. She becomes a governess in the home of the man whom she later marries, not because she loves him but because his children and his household need her supervision. Genuine love and happiness come to her after many years.

Monday and Tuesday—Constance Talmadge in "Dangerous Business." Also Monday—A Ben Turpin Comedy.

Again the unexpected! Imagine yourself (if you are a young lady) announcing that you are married to a man when you aren't at all, and when the man in question is in ignorance as to your declaration. And even that isn't all of it as will be seen by the following note which Constance Talmadge, as Nancy, writes in the story: "Dangerous Business?": "Dear Genevieve, Something terrible has happened. You know I got out of marrying that awful Arnold by saying that I was married to Clarence. Now Clarence is back and he refuses to marry. What shall I do?"—Tearfully, NANCY."

At the Opera House.

Today—Elsie Ferguson in "Lady Rose's Daughter." Also a comedy, "A Fishy Story."

This picture reveals the love-life of a woman who found that her "blue blood" was red and followed her heart to things not blazoned on coats of arms. It is filled with the charm of English hall and countryside, the passions of youth at war with conventions of age, the shimmer of lovely gowns and the thrill of a wilful beauty's escapades. Miss Ferguson plays three roles in this photoplay, the novel from which the story is taken being divided into three epochs, 1860, 1890, and 1920.

Saturday—Douglas Fairbanks in "American Aristocracy." Also third episode of Eddie Polo in "King of the Circus," and an Universal comedy, "Nearly Wed."

Leander Hick, manufacturer of the one-hump hatpin, wanted his daughter, Geradine, to marry Percy Horton but she refused because she preferred to have a real man for a husband. She went riding with some friends and vowed she would get out of the car and kiss the first honest-to-goodness man she saw. Cassius Lee, played by Douglas Fairbanks, was the victim. Later he sees her again and this time meets her and sets out to win her. He does so only after he has invented the double hump hatpin.

Monday—Viola Dana in "Blackmail." Also Topics of the Day and Pathe News.

"Be a good crook, Flossie. Don't let the cops forget the name of Golden," are the dying words of Flossie Golden's father. With this heritage the daughter of one of the cleverest crooks who ever pined his trade while posing as a policeman, is left alone to win her way by crooked means. The lawyer who finally traps her and her accomplice falls in love with her and then things begin to happen in an exciting manner.

### Notice.

To those who were interested in securing stock in the Noble Oil Company before December 16 when our drilling was upheld, I want to announce to you who were interested, I have been able to secure a block of stock from my company to be sold at par value, \$1 per share, for ten days, unless we should strike oil in the meantime; those interested are invited to come to the well and see for yourself the excellent showings we have in getting a product. You can get in touch with me at any time 205 East Paine street to make arrangements to go out to the well.

NETTIE M. SLATE.

### Snow of Much Benefit.

Snow and rain which fell last night and continues to fall today is calculated to prove of immense benefit to winter wheat in the county. Recent dry weather and warm weather has caused farmers much anxiety and the present precipitation will also allow crops to come in better than in years past.

Miss Mary Bullard of Waseca, Minn. visited Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Culbertson Tuesday.

# Pictorium Theatre

TWO GREAT DAYS:

Today and Tomorrow, Friday and Saturday.

Louis B. Mayer  
presents

## ANITA STEWART

SUGGESTION:  
Come today, Friday,  
in order to get seats  
and avoid the rush  
tomorrow.



## in "HARRIET AND THE PIPER"

CHARMERS  
OF WOMEN  
BELIEVE IN  
FREE-LOVE—  
DO YOU?

From the Novel by KATHLEEN NORRIS

Down through the Ages—Woman has always been the object—as well as the obstacle of Man's intentions—and attentions—so it is in this story—

HIGH LIGHTS AMONG LOW LIGHTS—

Added Attractions Today—NEAL HART in "ELEMENTS OF NIGHT."

Added Attractions Tomorrow—"VANISHING TRAILS" and Muti and Jeff.

A 'First National' Attraction

A Highlight of Goodness Meets a Highlight of Manliness.

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

2 GALA DAYS—2 WONDERFUL NIGHTS.

Comics Best Yet.

A HONEYMOON OF BRIDAL FRIGHTS!

## Joseph M. Schenck presents CONSTANCE TALMADGE in "DANGEROUS BUSINESS"

By  
John Emerson  
and Anita Loos



SCHEDULE:  
OF SHOWS.

10:30 A. M.  
12:30 A. M.  
2:30 A. M.  
4:30 P. M.  
6:30 P. M.  
8:30 P. M.  
10:30 P. M.

GRASP OVER THIS! Here's a bride who balked at the altar. Said she was married when she wasn't. Dabbled in Dangerous Business and crashed when the man she said she was married to commanded: "Nancy—Come Home!" Go-o-o-ood Night!

A Nibble at Nuptials  
by a Wife who wasn't!  
It Whizzes!

Peppier Even than the  
One You Thought was  
Connie's peppiest before.

Special Ben Turpin Comedy  
Monday.

Extra Tuesday—"Son of Tarzan"

Varied famous animal picture.



## EIGHT TEAMS IN CHAMPIONSHIP RACE

TOURNAMENT AT QUANAH WON DECISIVELY BY BAYLOR COUNTY FIVE.

Eight teams contested for the district championship in the basketball tournament held at Quanah last Saturday, according to a report reaching The Record. Those were Harrold, of Wilbarger county, Crowell, of Foard county, Quanah, of Hardeman county, Lakeview, of Hall county, Kirkland, of Childress county, Knox City, of Knox county, Seymour, of Baylor county, and Paducah, of Cottle county.

Seymour won first honors in the tournament and will go to Austin to contest for the State title. Harrold unfortunately was matched with the victors the first game of the day, and although the Wilbarger county lads scored six points before the Seymour team tallied, the Baylor countians finally went into the lead and won decisively 28 to 12. It was the second Harrold defeat of the season, the east county lads having lost once before to Electra. Moody, forward for Seymour, scored nineteen points individually.

The scores made in order were as follows:

Crowell eliminated Quanah—43 to 6.

Seymour eliminated Harrold—28 to 12.

Knox City eliminated Kirkland—21 to 7.

Lakeview eliminated Paducah—12 to 11.

Seymour eliminated Crowell—24 to 16.

Knox City eliminated Lakeview—24 to 8.

Seymour eliminated Knox City—18 to 11.

## CHEESE GIVES THESE DISHES FLAVOR AND RICHNESS

In cheese sweets, flavor and richness are both contributed by the cheese. The Office of Home Economics of the United States Department of Agriculture recommends the following recipes in which cheese is a prominent ingredient:

**Cheese Gingerbread.**  
1 cup of molasses, 4 ounces of cheese, 1 teaspoon of soda, 1-2 cup of water, 2 cups of flour, 2 teaspoons of ginger, 1-2 teaspoon salt.

Heat the molasses and the cheese in a double boiler until the cheese is melted. Add the soda and stir vigorously. Mix and sift dry ingredients and add them to the molasses and cheese alternately with the water. Bake for 15 minutes in small buttered tins.

**Cheese Relish.**  
Spread bread which has been toasted or fried in deep fat with grated cheese, or with grated cheese mixed with a little mustard, then heat in the oven until the cheese is melted. This may be served with salad, or as a relish to give flavor to some dish such as boiled rice or hominy, which has no very marked flavor.

**Brown Betty With Cheese.**  
Arrange in a deep earthenware baking dish, alternate layers of bread crumbs and thinly sliced apples. Season with cinnamon, also a little clove if desired and brown sugar. Scatter some finely shaved mild full cream cheese over each layer of apple. When the dish is full, scatter bread crumbs over the top and bake 30 to 45 minutes, placing the dish in a pan of water so that the pudding will not burn.

If preferred, this may be sweetened with molasses mixed with an equal amount of hot water and poured over the top, a half cupful of molasses being sufficient for a quart pudding dish full.

Cheese may be used in place of butter in a similar way in other apple puddings. Apple pie made with a layer of finely shaved cheese over the seasoned apples and baked in the usual way is liked by many who are fond of cheese served with apple pie.

**Card of Thanks.**  
Words can not express the gratitude we feel for the friends and neighbors who so kindly did all they could for us during the sickness and death of our dear husband and father. We also wish to thank those who took part in the funeral services and sent flowers. MRS. H. S. ARNOLD, LEON ARNOLD, ROBERT B. ARNOLD, AND FAMILY.

**Lister Points.**  
It is what you want we can fix your lister. SOUTHWESTERN IMP. CO., 10-41c Southeast Corner Square

**Marriage Licenses Issued.**  
Marriage licenses were issued February 16 to Ben White and Zola Gibson, negroes, and February 17 to Garland Elliott and Lora D. Owen.

**Boy to Mr. and Mrs. Lovelace.**  
A boy weighing eight and one-half pounds was born this morning to Mr. and Mrs. Moss Lovelace.

Bring your fancy work to The Ladies' Exchange opposite the postoffice. 8-6c.

## DISMISSED FROM SERVICE FOR FALSE STORIES OF HEROISM



Captain F. Chamberlain

Captain Edmund G. Chamberlain, who was dismissed from the United States Marine Corps as "the champion American Munchausen developed by the war." The official findings of the court-martial simply say that he was guilty of "falsification and scandalous conduct to the detriment of the naval service." Captain Chamberlain thrilled the Allied countries two years ago with stories of having shot down numbers of German planes. He had been decorated for the alleged exploits and an investigation disclosed the fact that Chamberlain's report was not based on facts.

## Odell News

Odell, Feb. 15.—(By special correspondence.)—C. D. Shelton left Sunday afternoon for Wichita Falls.

W. W. Matthews, B. D. Smith and Arthur Vassey left Saturday morning for the Wichita river, where they will spend a few days fishing.

J. W. Leak and family visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. S. B. Starr, Miss Gilma Starr and Miss Ollie Crain were Chillicothe visitors Saturday.

Mrs. C. D. Shelton, Mrs. W. M. Riddle and Miss Hester Crain and Anna Mae Shelton shopped in Chillicothe Saturday.

Edgar West returned home from Altus, Okla., Sunday.

George Blackerly of Altus, Okla., visited friends and relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. J. C. Mitchell is visiting in Chillicothe this week.

Mrs. A. C. Daniels and two daughters, Ornitha and Edrie of Knox City visited friends and relatives here this week-end.

Misses Coral Cox, Lena Crain and Effie Kendall spent the week-end with Mrs. Buren Vassey, who lives south of here.

A. H. Thrash and family moved to Odell last week.

Marvin and Arthur Carlton are visiting relatives in Erick, Okla.

Walter and William Shearer returned home Sunday from Wellington, where they have been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Riddle are moving to the W. W. Riddle farm west of here.

Lee Crownover and family are moving to the Tate farm east of Odell.

Mrs. Ida Turner entertained with a singing Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Macey of Vernon visited the W. W. Riddle family Sunday.

L. E. Kester of Vernon spent Sunday with C. M. Kester and family.

Frank Taylor and family of Tolbert, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Sutton.

A singing was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Beebe Sunday night.

Mrs. M. S. Roberts left Sunday for Altus, Okla.

Miss Gladys Simmonds, primary teacher, spent the week-end with her parents of Tolbert.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Vassey were Vernon visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Freeland Irions of Fort Worth is visiting her mother, Mrs. Cattie Hilliard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Starr spent Thursday in Vernon.

Mrs. W. W. Riddle and son, Odie, spent Friday in Chillicothe.

Mrs. Tom Sanderson and children of Vernon spent the week-end with Mrs. Cattie Hilliard.

Melton Archer made a business trip to Chillicothe Friday afternoon.

**Money Goes to China From Here.**

Business men of Vernon, through the efforts of Han Long, commonly known as "Sam Lee," proprietor of the local Chinese laundry, subscribed \$102.80 for the China Famine Fund. Subscriptions were taken by the oriental from friends met on the street and in their places of business, and he carried a slip of paper upon which each donation was carefully recorded. The offerings appeared most generally to be of twenty-five cents each.

**Keenness to Cheaper.**

Keenness to buy a gallon. Buy it by the barrel or gallon at

11c BROWN'S CASH GROC.

## NEWS OF THE COURTS

Further grand jury indictments returned are the State of Texas vs. Ada Dixon and Lottie Johnson for robbery, and the State of Texas vs. Robert Pollock on two counts for forgery.

A civil suit, Ernst vs. Fletcher for damages for alleged misrepresentation in a real estate deal, occupied the court yesterday afternoon and this morning.

Alleging partnership in the contracting and construction business involving profits derived from the Kincheloe and Youngblood-Underwood buildings, H. L. Coleman entered suit against J. O. Dove and the case was before the district court two days this week. It was submitted on special issue and at noon today the jury was still out.

Suit was filed in the district court Thursday by C. B. Staley and wife against the Beaver-Electra Refining Co., asking for \$50,000. The suit has grown out of the action of the company in levying upon the Staley home partly completed on West Wilbarger street.

The petition states that the house is the property of Mrs. Staley and that she is not a party to any other suit. It is further alleged that the "contractors by reason thereof, abandoned their contracts and quit work upon said improvements and refuse to complete the same, and plaintiffs were thereby denied the privilege of occupying and residing in said residence to their damage in the sum of \$25,000." They further allege that the action of the defendant was with "intent to annoy, harass and oppress and injure plaintiffs and ask for the further sum of \$25,000 as exemplary and punitive damages."

## Rates to Fort Worth and Amarillo.

The Fort Worth and Denver Railroad will sell round trip tickets to Fort Worth for one and a half fare from March 4 to 11, with March 14 as the final return date, on account of the Fat Stock Show which will be held there at that time. The same rate will be made to Amarillo for the Buyers and Sellers Live Stock Convention which will be held February 22 to 24. Tickets will go on sale February 22 and the final return date will be February 27.

## MISS HUFF URGES GOOD COMMITTEE

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are able and want to pay, but money collected in this manner goes into the Red Cross treasury and does not go to the nurse herself.

Miss Huff urged that the local Red Cross chapter get Vernon placed on the route for Red Cross films and it was voted to do so, provided the local theatres will consent to show the films which come every two weeks.

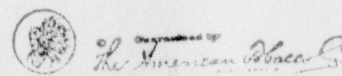
A nursing committee, appointed with the requirements named by Miss Huff in mind, will be named at an early date it was decided.

The following bills were allowed: Ford sedan for the nurse, \$800; painting of Red Cross sign on it, \$5; Mrs. A. B. Stoval's expenses to Wichita Falls where she went to confer with Miss Ellmann relative to her coming here, \$7.50 insurance for car, \$50. It was decided that \$50 as a revolving fund, shall be set aside each month to be used to take care of incidental calls for help.

Mrs. B. J. Parker and son, Kelly, left Wednesday for a visit in Shawnee, Okla.



LUCKY STRIKE cigarette. Flavor is sealed in by toasting



## WARNING!

We ask all our customers to be careful to see that their electric wiring is properly protected by fuse plugs. We have learned that a number of people are using pennies and other coins behind their fuse plugs. This practice is dangerous. It is liable to cause fire. When you do a thing like this you are taking a risk. There is absolutely no danger of fire from electric wiring, if the house is properly protected by fuse plugs.

Fuse plugs are put in your entrance switch so as to absolutely protect you in case there is any defective wiring in your house, so never do without them. Fuse plugs cost you very little—we furnish them to our customers at absolute cost. If your lights go out put in a new fuse plug if you have one; if not, get one. Never use anything else. It is better to be in the dark one night than to take a risk. If, after you have put in a new fuse plug and your lights still don't burn, call one of the electric shops, because there is some trouble that requires the services of an electrician.

## Texas Public Service Co.

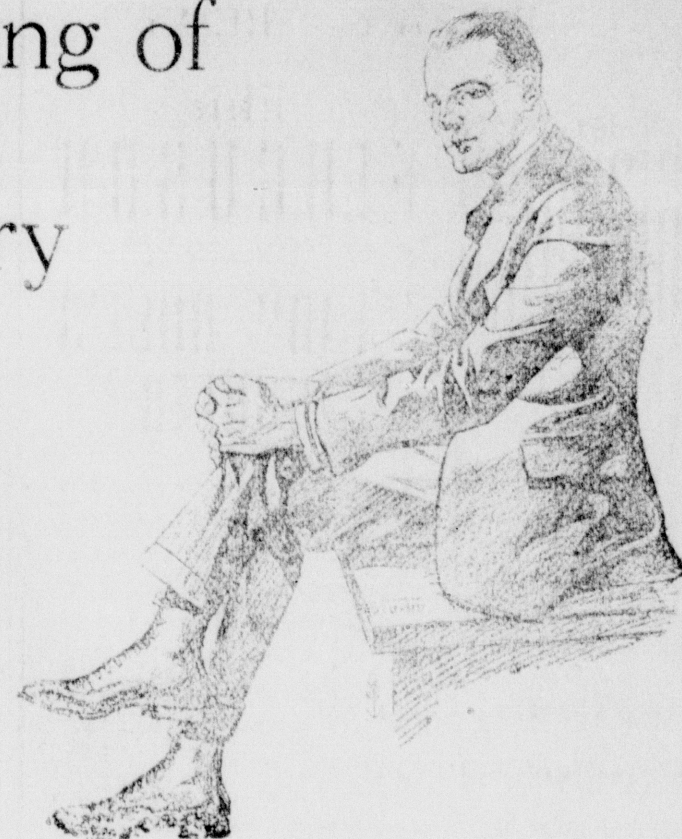
## Measured Solely By Usefulness

There's no other way to compute the value of your bank to you than by the real definite, tangible use you can make of its facilities. We can offer you service whose usefulness has been tested and proven, and that awaits only a trial to convince you.

## THE HERRING NATIONAL BANK

C. T. HERRING, President  
L. E. JOHNSON, Vice-President  
G. C. MORRIS, Cashier

## Speaking of Spring Toggery



Our Mr. Brunson is now in the Eastern Markets and writes us that we will begin receiving every day the very keenest line of Men's Ready-to-Wear that it has been our pleasure to offer men for several years. Our Spring Suits, Oxforas, Shirts, Ties,—in fact everything that the man can use will be found in our new Spring line. The prices are more reasonable than they have been in years, and we await with pleasure the chance of showing you this delightful stock.

## Brunson & Williams

MEN'S AND BOYS' OUTFITTERS



BILLY MURRAY

## EIGHT FAMOUS VICTOR ARTISTS

Will Appear in Person March 1, 1921 at the Palace Theatre, Wichita Falls, Texas

HENRY BURR, Tenor  
BILLY MURRAY, Tenor Comedian  
ALBERT CAMPBELL, Lyric Tenor  
JOHN H. MEYERS, Baritone  
FRANK CROXTON, Bass  
MONROE SILVER, Monologist  
FRED VAN EPS, Banjoist  
FRANK BANTA, Pianist

The Sterling Trio  
The Peerless Quartette.

50 ORCHESTRA SEATS, THE BEST SEATS IN THE HOUSE HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED THIS STORE FOR OUR CUSTOMERS. TICKETS ON SALE SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 19TH.

Price of Seats we sell, \$3.30 each, tax included.

Tickets will be reserved for out of town customers provided cash accompaniment order. Telephone 611 for reservations as tickets are limited.

## Pendleton's Music Store

"WHERE VICTROLAS ARE SOLD."

104 South Main St.

Phone 611

Vernon, Texas



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(Incorporated)

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prompt attention.

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One Year.....\$3.00  
Six Months.....1.75  
Three Months.....1.00  
No subscription accepted for shorter period  
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Classified advertisements—1 1/2 cent a  
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Obituary notices—4c a word.  
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Always include cash when mailing read-  
ing notices.  
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Vernon, Texas, Friday, Feb. 18, 1921.

Foreign Advertising Representative  
THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

## MOVING THE UNIVERSITY.

If the University of Texas is to be  
moved from its present location, why  
not move the institution from Austin?  
This question is being pressed with  
vigor.

"Sentiment" replies one. "There are  
memories clustering around the old  
school" which could never be trans-  
planted. "The university is a state  
institution," says another. "And being  
such, it should be at the seat of govern-  
ment as well as to be the more closely un-  
der official eyes." "The evils of the  
city," is a third reason. This assumes,  
of course, that the university would be  
moved to one of the more populous  
centers of Texas.

Let us consider these. For what is  
the sentiment? Is it the old Aca-  
demic Hall? If so, that has been con-  
demned. The late Major George W.  
Littlefield gave \$500,000 for erecting a  
building in its place. Is it B. Hall?  
Undoubtedly that, too, will soon give  
way to another structure.

Perhaps the sentiment is for the  
"surroundings." These change from  
year to year, so that the old grad  
scarcely recognizes a landmark after  
a relatively few years.

Are not the sentiments in reality  
for the traditions of the university;  
for the men and women who have  
given their lives in its service; for its  
code of honor; for its ideals? If so,  
might not these be transplanted mid-  
way between Dallas and Fort Worth,  
to San Antonio, or to any other place?

If the university should be under  
the immediate official eye, should not  
every other state institution likewise  
be? Might not the removal of the uni-  
versity from Austin tend to remove it  
from politics? It is undoubtedly true  
that few of the officials exercise any  
appreciable supervision over the in-  
stitution even though they are within  
a stone's throw of it.

Undoubtedly there are "evils" in the  
city. So are there evils elsewhere.  
It is an undisputed fact that genuine  
university work can not be done, ex-  
cept under serious handicaps, away  
from the great centres. The business  
and professional schools need the city  
as laboratories. And the distinctive  
function of a university—that of re-  
search—can hardly be carried on away  
from the city. Austin affords research  
in some lines, such as government, poli-  
tics, and law. In others it is sadly  
lacking.

It should be remembered, too, that a  
university is no place for irresponsible  
youth. Sooner or later we will consid-  
er very seriously the elimination of  
freshman and, perhaps, sophomore  
courses from the university—leaving  
the institution for mature men and  
women. It must be remembered, too,  
that Austin is not a rural village, but  
a city of some 40,000 people. Doubt-  
less Austin can not help but harbor  
many of the "evils of the city."

The only valid reason, as The Rec-  
ord sees it, is that of property rights.  
Many have moved to Austin and in-  
vested their money because of the uni-  
versity's location. But removal to the  
Brackenridge site would destroy this  
same property right, or nearly so.

However, as compared with this

"property right" of a few is the mat-  
ter of service to all of Texas. Removal  
of the university to some point would  
serve a multitude, as compared with  
the few who have invested in Austin.

Nor is the consideration of ample  
ground and the gift of \$10,000,000 (or  
more) a thing to be ignored. The tra-  
ditions of the university can be moved,  
just as its faculty and its ideals can  
be moved. The gift of \$10,000,000 and  
a site would provide handsomely for  
the university's material needs.

The Record favors removal. Un-  
doubtedly, the university should be re-  
moved from Austin or remain on its  
present site.

## HAD RATHER TRADE IN VERNON.

"We had rather trade in Vernon."  
This is an expression that may be  
heard in any one of half a dozen com-  
munities. What is the point, then, for  
Vernon?

Why, the quotation is only a part of  
the statement. The conclusion is vital  
to Vernon—"Roads make it impractic-  
able." Sometimes they say "impossi-  
ble."

Nor is this complaint any reflection  
on the county commissioners, who are  
undoubtedly doing all that they can  
to make our dirt roads first class. In-  
sofar as we can judge, only the inter-  
mittent use of a drag immediately af-  
ter each shower would improve most  
of the roads leading into Vernon.

The fact remains, however, that  
many roads are practically impassible.  
Wednesday a statement similar to the  
one quoted was heard in Thalia. "Es-  
pecially since the building of the ware-  
house in Vernon would our people like  
to come there," the speaker continued.  
While it has been possible to "pull  
through the deep sand by way of Ray-  
land, there are mud holes which make  
that road impassible, the farmers say;  
and it is a long, difficult drive via  
another route. A similar situation ex-  
ists to the North and Northeast. The  
trip to Vernon takes much time be-  
cause of deep sand or mud holes where  
sand formerly impeded, and people are  
discouraged from coming here.

A number of inland merchants would  
like to freight from here—but for the  
roads. Nor does it suffice to say that  
roads to other points are bad.

Vernon can make herself the trading  
center for a vast section if we will put  
our roads in first class condition. This  
would benefit every farmer living  
along the road and all others who  
might travel that highway coming to  
or returning from market.

A system of permanently good roads  
is imperative for Wilbarger county.

## THOSE GLARING AUTO LIGHTS.

"Blinded by the glaring headlights  
of an approaching automobile, Harry  
L. Carter, prominent local attorney,  
drove his automobile off a ten-foot  
embankment and was plunged into a  
pool of water on the Lake Worth road  
last night." This is from Fort Worth  
and occurred Monday night.

Night driving is made especially  
hazardous, as any one who happens  
to be out after dark will testify, be-  
cause of blinding headlights. It seems  
that the only cure is for automobile  
manufacturers to put on their cars a  
reflector which prevents this glare.  
Of course, dimmers are now made  
a part of the equipment of practically  
all automobiles. Nevertheless so few  
use them as to make the number negli-  
gible. Try dimming your lights some  
night when another car is approaching,  
and see how infrequently the courtesy  
is returned!

Courtesies on the road seem to have  
gone the way of courtesy elsewhere—  
they were an impediment during the  
hurry days through which we have  
been living. Perhaps, like other im-  
pedimenta of the "good old days,"  
they will come back. It is to be hoped  
that now, since we are beginning to  
work hard and live sanely, we will  
practice and teach our children to  
practice many courtesies with which  
most of the younger generation seem  
to be entirely unfamiliar.

The use of glaring headlights is  
much more than a discourtesy. It is a  
menace to life; a menace, however,  
which the practice of common courtesy  
would remove.

FOR SALE—Lot 60x120. Fronts  
north on West Texas street, 4 blocks  
from square. N. Greager at Post  
Office. 8 Ste

VESPER BELLS RINGING  
FOR RATS AT THE MILL

The bells are ringing for rats in the  
Kell mill—real, honest-to-goodness  
bells that tinkle out notes that evident-  
ly the brains of rascals instantly di-  
vine for when their sound is in the air,  
there is a perfect exodus of rodents in  
all directions. Where they go is an-  
other story, but it is evident to even  
the most casual observer that each rat  
that hurries from the cavernous depths  
of his lair, hurriedly chewing one last  
morsel of wheat in his speedy depart-  
ure, has his mind intent on leaving in  
the most effective and not too digni-  
fied manner possible. There is one ex-  
ception, however, just as there are to  
most rules. One particular rat is  
spending a large part of his time per-  
suing over the sudden antipathy his  
fellows are exhibiting for his presence,  
and what the nature of the fate might  
be that causes wild sounds, to bring  
forth each time he moves his head.

## Wheat Too High.

The truth of the matter is that  
wheat is entirely too high. The con-  
nection of wheat with rats and bells  
at first glance appears to be ridicu-  
lously remote, but second consideration re-  
veals that they possess a potent signif-  
icance. Tid bit tendencies on the part  
of rascals are distinctly wheatward  
and word had somewhat or other gone  
forth in the last three months that Mr.  
Kell was holding open house down by  
the railroad. From far and near they  
came to bid respects, and feast upon  
the sumptuous provender they found  
at first hand.

But one large rat, more curious of  
worldly affairs than his fellows, fell  
into the relentless trap of the night  
watchman. He was promptly hailed  
before the bar of justice, granted a  
perfunctory trial, and sentenced to  
spend an indefinite period with a bell  
around his neck. The instrument was  
securely wired into place. Mr. Rat  
given his liberty, and latest census re-  
port from the banquet chamber indi-  
cate that he is being given carte  
blanche by the others in stuffing to his  
heart's content.

## Current Comments

## GOOD DOCTRINE.

Reviewing conditions in the clothing  
trade in Texas during the past year  
and the business crisis through which  
business generally has passed, S. J.  
Williams of Galveston, president of  
the Texas Retail Clothiers' Associa-  
tion, in his address to the fifth annual  
convention of the organization in ses-  
sion at Dallas, took occasion to re-  
mark that there had not been a busi-  
ness failure among the members of the  
association during the year. He point-  
ed out how widespread had been the  
results of the tumble of prices and the  
resulting depression. Then he said:

"Despite all this there was not a  
single business failure recorded any-  
where in the State for any member of  
the organization. We will all be bigger  
and better men personally for having  
met this crisis, however, and we must  
wipe the two words 'was' and 'former'  
from our business vocabularies. We  
must continue to look forward, to prac-  
tice conservation, to put our faith in  
conservative advertising done truth-  
fully and often. We must be courageous  
and meet conditions as we find them.  
The worst of the storm is past and  
there is only clear sailing ahead if we  
are ready to pay the price."

That is good doctrine for any line  
of business, especially any retail line.  
It should be remarked in connection  
with Mr. Williams' declaration that  
during the past three months we have  
had more business failures in the  
United States than in any similar  
period in years. But his reference to  
advertising recalls that taking the  
country as a whole 90 per cent of the  
failures have been of non-advertising  
firms. The function which advertising  
performs in modern business is seldom  
fully appreciated. It is one of the  
most important parts of the machinery  
of merchandising.—Star Telegram.

## Nurses' President Lived Here.

Miss Dixie King, a former resident  
of Vernon, was elected president Tues-  
day of the Graduate Nurses' Associa-  
tion of Wichita County at a meeting in  
Wichita Falls. She will serve for the  
following year.

## A Bargain.

New 8 room house—2 halls, 1 large  
sleeping porch, 1 open porch, toilet  
and bath room. Lot 60 x 120 with  
shade trees. All for \$6,000, \$3,400  
cash. Phone 434. 6-8tp

## New Garage to Open.

W. M. Hampton, Jr., has leased his  
building just north of the Hampton  
Plumbing Company to parties from  
Quanan, who will open up a garage  
there at an early date.

## Lister Points.

If that is what you want we can fit  
your lister.

SOUTHWESTERN IMP. CO  
10-4tc Southeast Corner Square

## Foster's Weather Bulletin.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 18, 1921.—  
During early part of week centering on  
March 4 a warm wave will cover all  
the Rockies country and Pacific slope  
in western Canada. As these weather  
features move eastward around the  
north magnetic pole this warm wave  
will move southeastward into the Mis-  
sissippi valleys, then turn eastward,  
following its circle, and finally pass  
down the St. Lawrence valley and out  
into the European Atlantic steamship  
route during last part of that week.  
The storm wave will follow one or two  
days and the cool wave two to four  
days behind the warm wave. Temper-  
atures will average about normal dur-  
ing passage of these weather features,  
storm forces will be greater than the  
average and precipitation will be  
above the average of the first three  
months of 1921. A cold wave is ex-  
pected to fill out the last third of this  
storm period. The phrase "cold wave"  
has a definite and technical meaning.  
To constitute a cold wave the tempera-  
tures must fall twenty degrees or  
more, to freezing, within twenty-four  
hours. This fall may occur in a few  
hours or may take up nearly all of the  
twenty-four hours. Best weather on  
the continent is expected at Washing-  
ton on March 4, Inauguration Day.

Precipitation of these storms will be  
located and the amount very much the  
same as for the past three months.  
The average precipitation of March,  
1921, will be very much the same in  
amount and location as for the past

four months. Three more storm  
periods are expected in March. Most  
severe storms and most precipitation  
are expected during the week center-  
ing on March 5; warmest weather dur-  
ing week centering on 17th; coolest on  
9th and 28th. The equinoctial storms  
will occur during the week centering  
on March 4, or about two weeks before  
the vernal equinox. The vernal equi-  
nox new moon, a very important  
weather breeder, will occur March 9  
about 1 p. m., when the sun and moon  
at zenith—overhead—at the Galla-  
pagos islands, about 840 miles south of  
San Salvador, Central America. That  
kind of a new moon was regarded by  
the shepherd kings of Eden—now  
Turkistan—before they migrated to  
Egypt, as of great importance.

Railroad freights were very largely  
increased some months ago. Products  
of the farm and factory have gone  
down one-half; freight rates remain  
the same. Notwithstanding this I am  
still advising farmers to hold their  
grain and cotton. These necessities  
are too low as compared with the need  
of 1,500,000,000 people, many of whom  
are starving. I am not a speculator;  
I neither buy nor sell, except to sup-  
ply my family table. I am now able  
to live any cheaper than before the  
great slump in the prices received by  
producers. Stay on or close to the  
farm; get a home, even if not more  
than one acre, in the country or one  
lot in the town. Don't be discouraged;  
the clouds will dissolve.

## IMPRESSED WITH LOCAL FIELD.

St. Louis People Expect to Do Develop-  
ment Work for Oil in This  
Territory.

A. E. Elliott, representing Elliott,  
Johns, Sharp, & Steffens Investment  
Company of St. Louis, was in Vernon  
all of last week, going over the Sigler  
oil property. While here Mr. Elliott  
became heavily interested in the H. &  
F. Oil Company, which has just started  
a well. According to J. J. Rubenstein,  
these people are very much impressed  
with the outlook for oil in the Vernon  
field, and expect to do much develop-  
ment work here.

K. G. McDonald, of the Empire Lau-  
ndry, returned yesterday from Chilli-  
cothe where he had been for several  
days making arrangements for the  
opening of the branch laundry there.  
He says the plant will probably begin  
operations next week, with five or six  
persons employed.

## THIS BANK PROSPEROUS.

W. L. Weatherall, Assistant Cashier  
of The Port Arthur Institu-  
tion, Sends Statement.

The Record is in receipt of a state-  
ment of the First National Bank of  
Port Arthur, showing deposits of  
\$3,720,798.87, capital and surplus of  
\$408,401.82. Loans and discounts  
amount to only \$2,325,365.90.

W. L. Weatherall, son of J. T.  
Weatherall of Vernon, is assistant  
cashier.

Miss Mary Thomason, Mrs. J. Henry  
Walker, Mrs. Arthur Auld and the  
latter's little son, Junior, all of Chilli-  
cothe, were guests of friends in Ver-  
non Saturday.

FOR SALE—Alfalfa hay for 65 cents  
per bale, peaberry green at barn; also  
ear corn for 60 cents per bushel,  
weighed at farm. J. H. Kinchele,  
S-Stp Adv.

## SATISFACTION

Satisfaction brings Customers back. That tells the whole  
story of our steady growth and host of friends.

You see it isn't all a cold matter of Merchandise and money  
with us. We want the fast friendship and complete confi-  
dence of every one who trades with us. We say this and  
we mean it; there's a bit of pleasure in having one's patrons  
reappear.

Our agreement to refund your money on any unsatisfactory  
purchase is a standing offer. We do this by reason of the  
fact that our goods are honest and are of the best money  
can buy, otherwise such an offer would be utterly foolish.

Our motto is "Our Customer Must Be Satisfied."

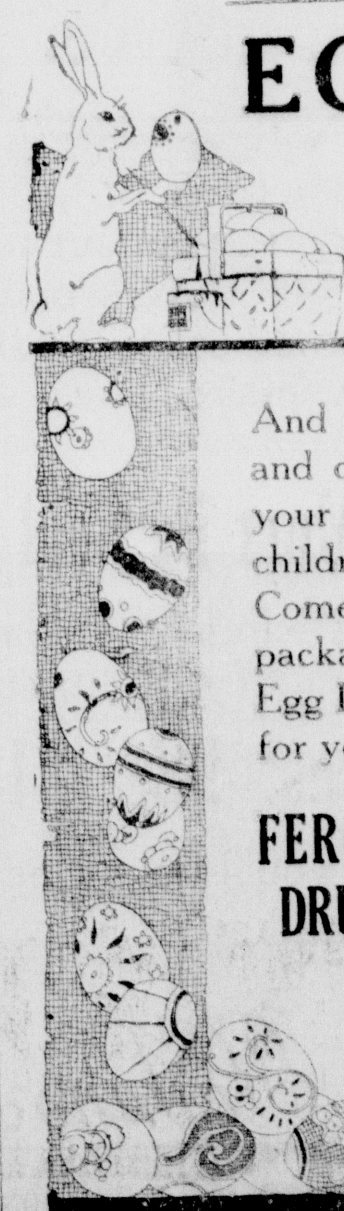
## Parker-Donges Grocery Co.

## EGG DYES

Remember the fun you  
used to have in days of  
your youth when watch-  
ing or helping your par-  
ents dye Eggs for Easter?

And how the different colors  
and designs attracted and held  
your interest? Don't deny your  
children that joy.

Come to our store and choose a  
package or two of the different  
Egg Dyes we are now offering  
for your selection.

FERGESON  
DRUG CO.

THE DOCTOR IS FIRST, OF COURSE, IN SICKNESS  
OR INJURY, BUT—

A Drug Store capable of supplying you with Drugs,  
Medicines and Sick-Room Goods is also a prime requi-  
site.

THE MORE CRITICAL THE ILLNESS THE  
GREATER THE NEED.

After the Doctor, we offer the most help and relief, so  
bring your Prescriptions and Ailments to us.



Pay your Subscription Now! Only \$2.00 a Year!

## Quality Store For Women

FOR THE WOMAN WHO KNOWS WHAT  
SHE WANTS

No matter how tight a rein one  
may keep on one's purse there are  
always those things which we know  
will please us in proportion to their  
price.

To achieve the satisfying of wo-  
men of particular tastes who know  
the value of the better article, has  
been our uniform accomplishment  
through many seasons—and again  
we offer a most exclusive selec-  
tion of the more special wear for wo-  
men who know what they want in  
this latest showing of newest spring  
suits.

\$29.95 to \$115.00

## These New Spring Dresses



You are cordially requested to  
compare this original showing of  
attractive models, varied in many  
modes, but all selected to please our  
most exacting clientele in matters  
of style accuracy. The values speak  
for themselves.

Beautiful Dresses of Taffeta,  
Crepe and Taffeta and Lace combi-  
nations.

\$24.50 to \$67.50.

## PREMIER SHOWING OF SPRING HATS

A most complete dis-  
play of hats for every  
wear expressed in the  
most assured models  
selected from those  
most decidedly in the  
trend of the new styles.  
And the values exceed  
even their attractive-  
ness in mode. Here are  
some of the new prices  
for better hats.



\$6.50 to \$22.00

## DIXON DRY GOODS CO

"The Better Store of Vernon."



## PLEASING STYLES IN WEAR PROMISED FOR THE SPRING

Visitors To Show In Dallas Are Enthusiastic Over Models Exhibited—Skirts Will Be Fuller And Shorter—Navy Blue Will Most Generally Be Worn—Hats Are Small.

Shorter and fuller skirts will predominate in women's styles this spring, according to Vernon buyers who attended the style show in Dallas the early part of the month. The suits of which they form a part will be most popular of euscatine and tricotine with box coats, ripple tailed and headed. Eighty per cent of the suits will be of navy blue with gray as a fad. Those from Vernon who attended the show agree that styles are of unusual attractiveness this season.

Gray suede pumps will be the most popular footwear and will be plain with buckle straps. Shoes, hose, and suits of gray will be commonly seen in combination. Chiffon hose will be most generally worn, too, but laces will also prove popular.

### Narrow Brimmed Sailors.

Close fitting, narrow brimmed sailors of straw are being offered the public, and many of these are trimmed in grass the same color as the hat. Tangerine, red, and henna are the colors most generally shown. Hats trimmed in flowers and fruit are being extensively shown as well as silk hats and those with small upturned brims. Some of the hats are trimmed with long sashes of georgette and crepe de chine.

Fancy vests are taking the place of blouses. These are of many different and attractive colors.

Sleeves will be most popular of three quarter length, said one visitor to the show, and those of twenty button length will also be worn. Gloves in white, grays, and nut shade browns of twenty button length and gauntlets will be offered. They will be of kid and suede.

Dresses most generally exhibited are of taffeta and Canton crepe. They are fuller and many are rippled. Petticoats have been relegated to the back-ground in favor of bloomers and petticoaters.

### Will Wear Sport Coats.

Sport coats will be popular for outer wear as will cape coats of navy blue. Some of the latter are attractively embroidered in silver and adorned with beads. Narrow neck pieces of fur will also be worn. Women will continue to wear beads and these will be of varied and fancy colors.

Novelties to be carried in the hand will most popularly be gold and silver mesh bags. Several models in the show also carried swaggar sticks, parasols of different colors that fold up into a bag, and cigarette cases in place of vauities.

Style shows were held at Dallas February 1 and 2 as well as 8 and 9. The second exhibition was staged for the benefit of those buyers who were unable to attend the first, and was in most details a replica of the first. Several acts of vaudeville were offered with the exhibits in styles. The performances were staged in the Coliseum in Dallas.

### GOVERNOR TO BE IN ELECTRA.

State's Chief Executive Expected to Take Part in Pythian Ceremonial March 12.

Electra, Texas, Feb. 17.—Governor Neff is expected to be in this city on March 12th to take part in the staging of a ceremonial of the Dokeys. This announcement was made this week by Sid W. Smith who has just returned from a visit to the Governor at Austin.

The governor expressed great interest in the ceremonial and expressed his surprise at a town the size of Electra being able to put on an event of this kind. Governor Neff is high in the order of Knights of Pythias, having been Grand Chancellor of the State two years ago.

Plans for the most rousing fraternal meeting ever held in west Texas are being perfected. A number of notable visitors, in addition to the governor are expected, among them being Grand Chancellor Brewington, and Grand Keeper of Records and Seals Henry Miller. The Azotos Temple team from Fort Worth, numbering over 100, will co-sponsor the work and plans for their entertainment are being made. Among points of interest the visitors will see here will be Clayco No. 1, the first producing oil well ever drilled in north Texas.

It is expected that the class to be initiated here will number over one hundred. Delegates are at work in Wichita Falls, Iowa Park, Henrietta, and other nearby cities, and visitors are expected from all over the state.

### Lister-Points.

If that is what you want we can list your lister.

SOUTHWESTERN IMP. CO.  
40-46 Southeast Corner Square

## FARMER SHOULD WEIGH NEEDS IN USING BORROWED CAPITAL

Buying Luxuries or Goods That Will Earn Nothing Violates Important Principle of Good Business—Five Rules for Guiding Borrowers in Making Loans.

Credit is always a good thing to have, and under certain conditions a very good thing to use, but just now it seems in most cases to be much more desirable to have it than actually to use it. The United States Department of Agriculture warns farmers that the present is a particularly unfavorable time to borrow for any purpose that does not promise naturally to increase the productiveness of the farm enterprise. This applies particularly to long-time loans. Interest rates are at present considerably above normal, and the payment of these rates is in itself a heavy burden to assume.

### When to Borrow.

It is furthermore pointed out that while at the beginning or early in the progress of a period of rising prices it is generally highly profitable to borrow for productive purposes, the case is quite different in time of falling prices. When prices go up the value of money goes down, and a debt contracted on a low market can be settled on a high market with money representing correspondingly less labor and smaller quantities of products per dollar. Thus, with rising prices all loans that

would be safe on a steady market stand to yield handsome profits. In a period of peak prices, however, or of falling prices, such as farmers are facing now, the shoe is on the other foot. At such a time it is advisable to use great caution in borrowing since there is a probability of having to pay back the loan in dearer dollars than those obtained from the loan.

For those who find that they must borrow at this time in order to avert disaster, or are so situated that by a reasonable amount of additional capital they can naturally increase their earnings, the Office of Farm Management and Farm Economics offers certain simple rules to be kept in mind.

The first and most important rule is that only as much money be borrowed as can be put to a decidedly productive use. With the rate of interest high and prices falling, only an important use of borrowed capital is likely to make a loan prove profitable or even a safe venture for the borrower. The borrowing of money for the purchase of power machinery, for example, can be justified under present conditions only where farming is done on a consider-

\$100. Of his first \$100 payment, \$50 would settle the interest and leave \$50 to be paid against the principal. The next year interest could be charged for only \$50, the amount of the reduced principal, and his annual payment would be divided into \$47.50 to care for the interest, and \$52.50 to be applied on the principal. By this method the debt and its interest are gradually reduced until in the 14th year \$5.72 would be paid as interest on a principal amounting to only \$114.35. The next year the borrower would make a total payment of \$21.07, \$1 for interest charges and \$20.07 to pay off the last of the debt itself.

### WHEAT SUFFERS FROM ATTACK OF GREEN BUGS

Soft shelled green bugs have attacked the wheat in this county according to the farm demonstrator here, and had not the present cold weather and moisture intervened, there in all probability would have been considerable damage wrought by these pests. The green bugs have a natural parasite at lower temperatures that serves to hold them in check, and in wet and inclement weather they do not multiply with such rapidity as when it is excessively dry.

No known remedy for the bugs is to be had, according to the agent. Spraying, of course, is far too expensive.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Real estate transfers for the week are: Mrs. Georgia Parker and husband, B. J. Parker to Mrs. Birdie Parker, the northwest quarter of block 15, South addition for \$500.

Mrs. Birdie Parker to C. J. Lawson the north half of northwest quarter of block 15, South addition for \$400.

J. P. Tate to Lee Crowmover 200 acres of section 19, block 11, H. and T. C., for \$10,000.

### National Body Well Affiliated.

Twenty-eight local chambers of commerce in Texas are members of the national chamber, according to a bulletin received by the Vernon commercial organization. This affiliation is made to keep in touch with the nation's business and receive information from a first hand source.

### Kerosene 13c a Gallon.

Buy your kerosene from us—by the gallon or barrel—13c a gallon. BROWN'S CASH GROC.

Carl Smith of Oklaunion was in Vernon Wednesday.

WANTED—Nice, clean cotton rags—5 cents per pound—Vernon Record if.

G. B. Zachry is in Chillicothe on business.

See the Trubidpruf tires at Lutz & Schmoker's. Corner Texas and Fanning. 77-7c

J. H. Lawrence, manager of the northern district for the Hoover Suction Sweeper Co., is in Vernon.

See the Trubidpruf Tires at J. E. Lutz's office, corner Texas and Fanning streets. 63-7c

### Money, Money, Money.

We have an endless chain, of money to lend on farms, in Wilbarger, Ford, Hardeman, and other Western Texas counties. Long time, and at rates, as low as can be had anywhere. 16d-7c T. P. LISMAN, & SON.

### Notice.

This is the last week to order trees and shrubs for spring planting. Those wanting fruit trees, shade trees, ornamental trees, shrubs or vines come to see me or drop a card in Post Office box 203 and I will call. 10-2tp J. W. HUNTLEY.

# Thinking of Building?

If you are, you should by all means have our prices on **Building Materials** of all kinds.

It is our business to give you all the help and real service possible on planning and estimating.

## WM. CAMERON & COMPANY, Inc.

Vernon, Texas

## TIME FOR FILING IN- COME TAX RETURNS EXPIRES MARCH 15

1920 income tax returns must reach Scott Reed, Collector of Internal Revenue, Dallas, Texas, on or before March 15. Business transactions should be carefully analyzed, with a view of taking advantage of all legitimate deductions, as well as returning all taxable income. Most returns cannot be prepared in a few minutes. File your return early and take the necessary time to properly prepare it.

**E. C. CHRISTIAN**  
Income Tax Service

206 Waggoner Bank Building

"Anybody can get a steady living  
:: :: out of steady effort" :: ::

The same clock that ticks off twenty-four hours for one man can't cheat his neighbor. The same laws of right and wrong—the same privilege to do and dare are open to both.

—Herbert Kaufman

Success means effort, energy and persistent saving.



## MEN'S SHIRTS AT OLD TIME PRICES

**M**OST MEN have been waiting to buy their needed supply of Shirts on account of high prices. To such men, this sale comes at an opportune moment. Every shirt is brand new, fresh from the maker and our buyers bought more than a thousand dozen in order that we could sell them at pre-war prices. Every shirt is of the famous E. & W. make, which assures correct fit, fast colors and long wearing qualities.

**50 Dozen Must Be Sold Saturday, Feb. 19, in Vernon**

See them in our windows Friday, then you'll know whether or not it will be to your interest to attend this sale.

**Only 3 Prices:—98c, \$1.48, \$1.98—Sizes 14 to 17½**

We think you'll buy some of these shirts if you see them.

*Perkins-Timberlake Co.*  
VERNON, TEXAS.





## IN SOCIETY

### Entertained for California Visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bond entertained with bridge at their home on W. Paradise St. last evening, honoring Miss Marie Anderson of Covina, Calif. George Washington effects were carried out in the party. Guests were provided with tables of red paper hatched, and later in the evening with paper hats of various designs and color effects. High scores were made by Miss Nell Pettit and Guy Pettit. After a plate luncheon, the guests enjoyed dancing. Those present were: Messdames W. O. Anderson, S. S. Munger, J. V. Townsend, and Walter McCaleb, and Misses Marie Anderson, Mary Anderson, Frances Hicks, Juanita Youngblood, Oleta Youngblood, Nell Pettit, Adelle Sumner, Lillian Murchison, Olive Shive, Lucile Holt, and Esther Swartwood, and Messrs. Joe Sumner, John Storey, Charles Holder, George Hardin, Eric G. Schroeder, Walter McCaleb, S. S. Munger, Guy Pettit, Sam Napier, Erwin McCarter, Dr. James Anderson, Elzie Youngblood, J. V. Townsend, and W. O. Anderson.

### Entertain With Cards and Dancing.

Misses Robble and Donalita Standfor entertained with bridge and dancing at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Swartwood Tuesday night. Tables of cards were arranged for the first part of the evening and after the serving of a plate luncheon dancing was enjoyed. Red and white carnations were used for decorations and for favors for each guest. Those present were Dr. and Mrs. T. E. Standfor, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Swartwood, Misses Marie Anderson, Mary Anderson, Juanita Youngblood, Frances Hicks, Nell Pettit, Lillian Murchison, Oleta Youngblood, Esther Swartwood and Adelle Sumner; Dr. James Anderson, Messrs. J. C. Hickernell, John Storey, Eric G. Schroeder, Elzie Youngblood, Guy Pettit, Sam Napier, Lytle G. Hall and Herbert Dohler, of Brooklyn, N. Y. High scores in bridge were made by Mrs. Swartwood and Dr. Anderson.

### LIVESTOCK SURVEY STARTS CAMPAIGN FOR PUREBREDS

A variety of methods are being employed to carry on the better-sires campaign which the United States Department of Agriculture has been vigorously promoting in all parts of the country. In Steuben County, Ind., a livestock survey was taken as the first step in this campaign. Under the leadership of T. A. Parker, the county agent, the county was partially organized by sections and returns were secured from 600 farms, representing one-half of the total number in the area. As the reports were made from farms in all parts of the county, the percentages may be taken as an average.

The figures show that of the bulls kept 27 per cent were purebreds, 33 per cent grades and 40 per cent scrubs; of the hogs kept 26 per cent were purebreds, 30 per cent grades and 44 per cent scrubs; and of the rams 42 per cent were purebreds, 30 per cent grades, and 22 per cent scrubs. Twenty-three per cent of the poultry was of pure breeding the remainder being mixed stock. With these figures at hand the general live-stock association of the county began a purebred-sires campaign, using posters and literature supplied by the United States Department of Agriculture, and holding local meetings at which talks showing the value of purebred sires were given.

### FARMERS FIND CO-OPERATION LEADS TO BETTER MARKETING

Experience has shown that farmers co-operative marketing associations, organized along sound business lines and with a sufficient column of business, will offer a regular, dependable service to producers. Specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture, impossible results must not be expected, but producers, by organizing, can accomplish much that individuals they could not undertake.

Co-operative marketing associations can assist in standardizing products, in improving grading and packing, in furnishing storage facilities, in gathering and using market and crop information and in locating new markets. A marketing association can do much more advertising than a single producer could afford and it can buy farm supplies at quantity prices for its members.

### BAD EGGS INCREASE PRICE OF GOOD ONES TO CONSUMER

In a shipment of three cases, or 90 dozen eggs, recently received by a Washington, D. C., commission firm 18 3/4 dozen were condemned by the local health department as unfit for food. The percentage of bad eggs shipped into the markets is very high, reducing trade and discouraging consumption, say specialists of the Bureau of Markets of the United States De-

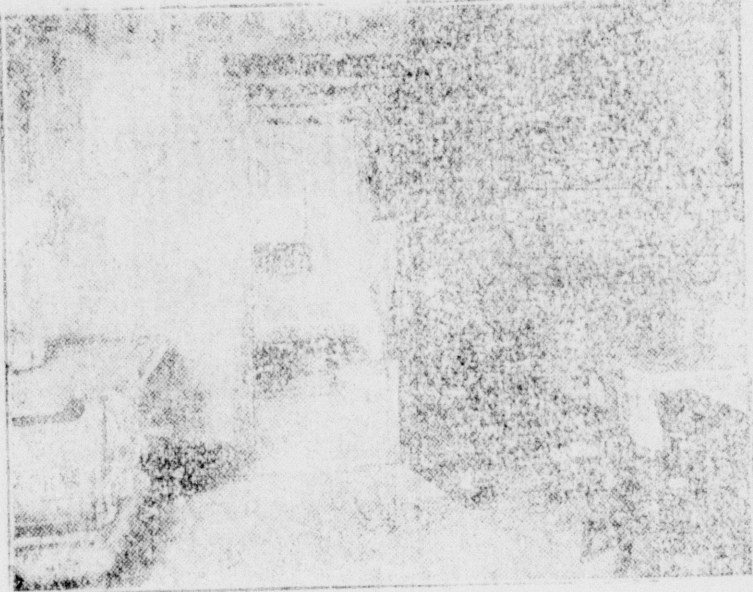
## COVERING KITCHEN FLOOR REDUCES SCRUBBING WORK

Unfinished Floors Require Much Work to Keep in Good Condition—Covering of Various Kinds and Their Wearing Qualities—Too Much Water Ruins Floor.

What is the best material for the kitchen floor, the most practical finish, and the most satisfactory covering are questions much discussed. All housewives agree, however, that the unfinished wooden floor is hard to clean, and painting, oiling, or covering it with some washable material saves

special pains now on the market make concrete floors easier to care for, less dusty, and more durable.

Linoleum is a very satisfactory covering for the kitchen floor. It is relatively durable, comfortable for the feet, and easy to clean. It is manufactured in a variety of colors, designs,



much labor, say specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. An unfinished wood floor requires frequent scrubbing, which, no matter how thorough, can not remove spots and stains from some kinds of wood and cause the surface of others to silver and become rough.

### Maple Widely Used.

Maple is one of the woods most used for kitchen floors. It is smooth and very durable, and when oiled is proof against grease and water stains. Longleaf or Georgia pine and Douglas fir or red spruce are other desirable kinds and may be painted or oiled. Any kind of wooden flooring should be well seasoned before it is laid to lessen the shrinking and swelling due to changes in temperature and atmospheric conditions. Any cracks in the floor should be filled with putty, or better with one of the special preparations for the purpose.

There are a variety of concrete and so-called "composition" floor materials now on the market which are advertised for use in kitchens. They are often easy to clean and do not absorb grease and water when new. Some of them, however, tend to crack and chip with wear, and then are difficult to keep in order. Some are also rather hard and fatiguing to stand on, though this drawback can be overcome somewhat by using mats of rubber, cork, or some other resilient material. The

partment of Agriculture.

If a few eggs in the dozen are bad the housewife pays exorbitant prices for the sound ones. The dealer always prefers to handle good eggs, for spoiled ones injure his business reputation. A deduction for spoiled eggs also makes the shipper feel that he is not being treated in good faith by the commission merchant.

### MAPLE TREES OF 20 STATES OFFER A WEALTH OF SWEETS

Many thousands of American farmers throughout a score of States are overlooking opportunities to secure delicious maple sugar and sirup for home use, as well as for sale, at very little cost. This statement, of interest because of the approach of "sugar weather," is based on data compiled by experts of the United States Department of Agriculture who have made a special study of the maplesugar industry. While Americans commonly think of this industry as being confined largely to circumscribed areas in New England and New York, there are, as a matter of fact, many potential "sugar bushes" throughout eastern and northeastern United States; in other words, throughout a region extending south to include North Carolina and Tennessee and west to include northern Missouri, Iowa, and Minnesota. There are also a considerable number of maple trees of a sugar-yielding species in Washington and Oregon.

While some experience is necessary to hold the sap down to sirup and sugar properly, the process is not complicated and may be learned readily. A United States Department of Agriculture bulletin, "Production of Maple Sirup and Sugar," gives the necessary information, and will be sent free to any person addressing the department at Washington.

A clump of 10 to 25 trees usually will yield enough sirup for family use to make tapping worth while, and in many cases will afford a surplus which can be sold at a remunerative price.

Frank Pickard left Thursday for his home in Hedley. Mr. Pickard has recently been employed at the Bargdoll & Stanley grocery.

## ANOTHER ROMANCE IN THE TALMADGE FAMILY



The engagement of Miss Natalie Talmadge, youngest of the Talmadge sisters, to Buster Kanton, has been announced by Miss Talmadge, who is now at Palm Beach, Fla., with her mother. Miss Talmadge said she had not seen her fiancé for two years and that the courtship had been carried on by telegraph.

## AT DEATH'S DOOR.

"I was talking with my neighbor, Mr. Webb, the other day, regarding the great trouble his stomach had given him. He said he suffered 7 or 8 years, and had been almost at death's door a number of times from acute indigestion and bloating of gas, which seemed to shut off his heart action. He said he wouldn't have lived much longer if he hadn't taken May's Wonderful Remedy when he did, which made a well man of him." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded.

Sold in Vernon by Ferguson Drug Company and leading druggists everywhere.

## CLUBS AND LODGES

### Eastern Star Meets Tonight.

There will be a meeting of Eastern Star tonight at 7:30 at the Masonic hall.

### Harrold Club Had Special Meeting.

Boys and girls of the Home Demonstration club at Harrold held a special meeting Wednesday in which each member had a subject assigned for discussion. Poultry, gardening, and home improvement work were the topics dealt with. Especially good talks were made by George King on selection of poultry, and Abner Morris on selection of eggs for setting.

### High School Club Meets.

The first meeting of the High School Social Club met with Mary Katherine Massie Tuesday night. Valentine decorations were used and games of hearts were enjoyed throughout the evening. Refreshments were served, the following present: Misses Lemmie Bonner, Mary Myatt Shive, Hazel Vaughn, Clara Will Lane, Clara Leutwyler, Lorraine Brunson, Christine Workman, Ruth Walker, Ruby Seals, Adaline Dinges, Edna Maud Lutz, Edith Whitley, Mildred Hansard, and Marguerite Thomas; and Messrs. Thornton Ferguson, A. M. Hiatt, Evans Mason, John B. Waller, George Coltzer, Delphus Bourland, Hugh Bourland, Merritt Hawley, J. D. Morris, Jimmie Robinson, Charlie Blackwood, Frank Massie, Andy Thompson and Esker Curtis.

### Notice Farmers.

CORRECTION—Through error our ad of Tuesday stated our closing days as Tuesday and Fridays and Saturdays. This should have read—Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

F. S. LOCKETT & SON.

### Kerosene 13c a Gallon.

Buy your kerosene from us—by the gallon or barrel—13c a gallon.

BROWN'S CASH GROC.

Bring your hemstitching to The Ladies' Exchange, opposite the postoffice.

WANTED—Nice, clean cotton rags—5 cents per pound—Vernon Record if

## We Pay Highest Price For CHICKENS

We Are In The Market For Any Amount of CHICKENS, EGGS and BUTTER We Are Never Over-stocked in This Line But Will Pay You — HIGHEST MARKET PRICE — CASH —

For Any Amount You Have To Sell BE SURE AND CALL ON US

## White Produce Co.

North Main, Near Denver Track

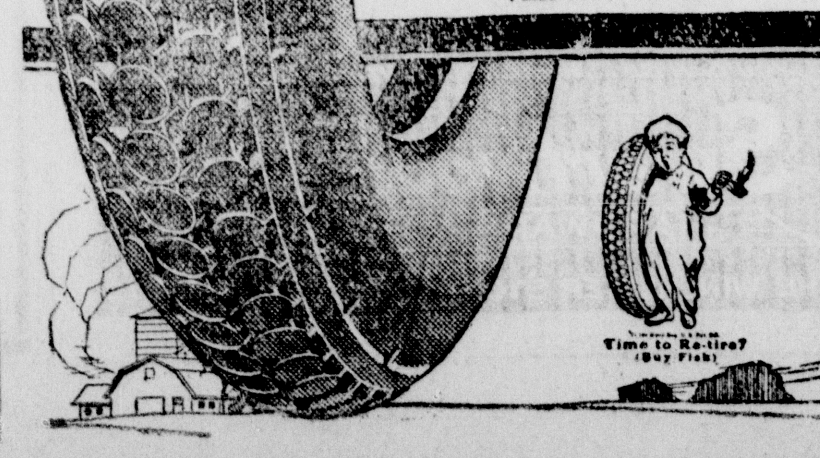
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## FISK TIRES

AFTER you begin buying Fisk Tires you wonder why you did not begin such a pleasant relationship sooner.

The Fisk Ideal is—"To be the best concern in the world to work for—and the squarest concern in existence to do business with."

Next Time—BUY FISK Southwestern Implement Company VERNON, TEXAS



## The Easiest Way

The easiest way a family washing can possibly be done at home is much harder than our way, because it requires time, attention and expense.

Our way means about thirty minutes a week of your time. Just the time necessary to bundle up the washing, give it to our representative, receive it from him a few days later and put it away. That's all.

Our way costs no more and often less than the home way and requires six or seven hours less of your time.

You will like our service because it is prompt, dependable and satisfactory.

## Empire Laundry

Phone 60

## A Test We Can Cheerfully Welcome

If these days of "readjustment" do nothing more for you than to bring you better understanding of banking facilities and banking service, the lesson is well worth your while. It is in such times that the value of your banking connection is put to the test.

"No man ever lost a dollar by depositing in a Guaranty State Bank."

THE BANK THAT BACKS THE FARMER  
**FIRST GUARANTY STATE BANK**  
J. P. KING, PRESIDENT  
J. T. GLOVER, CASHIER  
Vernon, Texas.  
WHERE SERVICE IS PARAMOUNT.



## AN ABSOLUTE GUARANTEE

ON YOUR BAKING IS WHAT YOU GET WHEN YOU USE

## Sewell's Flour MADE IN VERNON

Made of Wilbarger County Wheat

for Wilbarger County People.

A HOME INDUSTRY.

## SEWELL GRAIN & FUEL COMPANY



## MURDERED CASHIER HAD LIVED HERE

R. L. KIRBY OF HOBBY WAS  
NEPHEW OF LOCAL  
RESIDENT.

Robert Lee Kirby, the bank cashier at Hobby who was beaten to death Tuesday morning by a bandit, formerly lived in Vernon and was a nephew of Mrs. Emma Kirby of this city. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Kirby who lived in West Vernon with their four children and owned 170 acres west of town. The farm is now owned by J. D. Summerow.

The Kirby family removed from Vernon to Hearn in January, 1913 after having lived here eighteen months. During that time R. L. Kirby, the murdered man, who was better known as Lee, attended the local high school. He was the oldest child in the family and 27 years old at the time of his death.

Of High Character.

According to Mrs. Emma Kirby, her nephew was a man of the highest character. He was exceedingly well liked locally and was known as a conscientious, straightforward young man. Upon the death of his parents, Mr. Kirby took charge of his younger brothers and sister and provided for them.

Mr. Kirby was married and had lived in Houston two years. His brothers are Will and Dece Kirby, and his sister, Miss Elizabeth Kirby. The Blue Ridge State Bank of which Mr. Kirby was cashier, was chartered only Monday. The bandit escaped with all the money in the bank with the exception of \$10. Posses Wednesday were seeking the man with blood-hounds.

## BURKURNETT FIRE CAUSES BIG LOSS

Properties of the Charles F. Noble Oil and Gas Co., at Burk Burnett were damaged by fire Sunday night to the extent of \$15,000, according to an estimate by company officials. A two-story laboratory and bunk house, meter house, and car repair shop were totally destroyed, and for a time the flame threatened to spread to a large casing head gasoline plant and crude oil refinery. Considerable quantities of oil and high test gasoline were also burned.

The fire started at 6:30 p. m. in a small building with an explosion. It spread rapidly to several gasoline storage tanks in which was stored casinghead gasoline of ninety-five gravity. Seven of the twenty-one tanks of 15,000 gallons capacity each caught fire. The gasoline was pumped from many of the tanks and the spread of the fire further prevented by the use of chemicals and steam. It is not believed that more than 3,000 gallons of the high test gasoline were destroyed.

## B. Y. P. U. WILL HAVE POST CARD SHOWER FOR MISSIONARY

The Baptist Young People's Union has arranged the following program for the meeting Sunday night at which time V. M. Combs will be tender: Scripture Reading—Miss Alice Lane and Ernest Hawkins; Special song—Clyde Hodges; "The Meaning of Salvation"—Peyton Phillips; "Working Out This Salvation"—Lucile Rainwater; "We should Make the Best of Our Lives"—Oscar Vaughn; "What We May Do to Complete or Carry Out Our Salvation"—Miss Vaughn; "In Christ's Stead"—Elton Cook.

Sunday evening is the time for the post card shower for Miss Blanche Groves, a missionary in China, and every one is asked to bring their cards for her at this time.

## Chickens Wanted.

Will pay highest market price for your chickens and eggs. Exchange Meat Market, Phone 619, Massie Vernon Grocery Co. 11-Stc

## UP TO THE MINUTE INSURANCE AGENCY

Burglar insurance is the topic of the day and we are in a position to handle this in any quantity. We cover residences, safes, stores, and "CELLAR GOODIES," the latter our specialty. (I can cover a quart myself.)

"Drop" in and let me show you this important cover; your residence may be the next. Beat the Burglar to it by getting one of our policies.

Yours to lean on.

Office Phone 257  
Residence Phone 22  
Wagoner National Bank Building

**C. S. McColloch** (716 Stc)

## Liberty Cafe

### Vernon's Best EATING HOUSE

## WANTED

WANTED—To buy tennis net. Apply Hotel Vernon. 9-20c

WANTED—A real pure bred Jersey cow; must be gentle and easy to milk and unless milk is exceedingly rich cow would not be satisfactory. If you have a good four-gallon cow, phone 378. 11c

WANTED—A home on farm, preferably with Primitive Baptists, by old soldier 78 years old. G. G. Burkhalter, in care of W. S. Bourland, Route 2. 11p

LADY OR GENTLEMAN AGENT wanted in the city of Vernon to sell the genuine J. R. Watkins Medicines, Spices, Extracts, Toilet Preparations, etc. All or spare time. A wonderful opportunity to get into business for yourself. Write today for free particulars and sample. J. R. Watkins Co., 61, Memphis, Tenn. 10-4p

WANTED—To buy weaned pigs. M. L. Walker, Route 4, Vernon, Texas. Phone 3636-2. 10-2p

WANTED—To rent 60 acres or more, on shares. Good references. J. L. Harbor, Oklahoma. 10-2p

WANTED—To sell about 300 cattle and lease pasture. I will sell for one-half cash and balance on long time. M. W. Rogers, Tolbert, Texas. 8-4p

## BOOKS TO READ ON WINTER EVENINGS

A few new books recently received at the Carnegie Library are:

"Morse Henry," by Henry Watter-son. This autobiography covers more than one-half the years of the life of the nation, the pages are filled with the names of the famous and wear famous in American life, historical facts, personal memories, anecdotes, bits of gossip, opinions and convictions.

"Pieces for Prize Speaking," by John C. Van Dyke. This collection has taken a prize at some prize speaking contest. A glance at the list of contents will show how great care has been exercised in making this selection for home, church, and school.

"The Book of Games and Parties," edited by Theresa Hunt Wolcott, entertainment editor of the Ladies Home Journal. In this volume Miss Wolcott has collected the most striking material on the subject which has appeared in the Ladies Home Journal over a considerable period of time.

"How to Judge a Picture," by John C. Van Dyke.

These books contain lectures given for Columbia University at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

"No Defense," by Gilbert Parker. The scenes are laid in Ireland, England, the West Indies, and America during the troublous days of the French Revolution. The story has a heroic sweep of action that is irresistible.

"The Age of Innocence" by Edith Wharton. It is of New York society in its age of innocence, the eighteen seventies, when it drove up Fifth Avenue in victorias.

"The Mysterious Rider," by Zane Grey. A novel written with that literary charm of beauty which Zane Grey is master. Swift moving; full of the glamour of romance and adventure, and with the breath of Western plains and mountains in its pages.

"This Side of Paradise," by F. Scott Fitzgerald. A book that gives an amazingly true picture of American youth—its thoughts, feelings, and comedy of manners.

Kerosene 13c a Gallon.

Buy your kerosene from us—by the gallon or barrel—13c a gallon.

11c BROWN'S CASH GRO.

Frank Bell, 15-year-old son of J. F. Bell, of Tipton, Okla., was operated upon for appendicitis in a local hospital Monday afternoon. He is doing nicely now.

T. R. White of Davidson, Okla., is in the hospital here for the purpose of taking intravenous rheumatism serum for a period of two weeks.

E. P. Hicks returned Tuesday from a two day's visit in Mineral Wells.

## FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Two rooms furnished for light housekeeping. On Eagle and Marshall streets. Call after 1 p. m. Mrs. B. E. Hutchins. 7-6p

FOR RENT—One large furnished south bedroom, to couple or two gentlemen, \$4 a week. Also another furnished bedroom for \$3 a week. 602 East Wilbarger. Phone 563. 10-4p

FOR RENT—Two furnished light housekeeping rooms. Two blocks from square on Bowie and Marshall streets. Phone 271. 10-4p

FOR RENT—Five-room house, modern conveniences. See Aubrey Foster at Dix-on Dry Goods Co. 11p

FOR RENT—Five-room house; also small store room and shop. Apply to W. A. Lane at Stewartwood & Co. 11p

FOR RENT—Nice bungalow in west part of city. See J. J. Townsend. 10-2p

FOR RENT—Furnished bedroom. Lady preferred. Mrs. L. A. Hollar, West Texas Street. 10-2p

FOR RENT—Three unfurnished rooms. Mrs. L. A. Hollar, West Texas street. 10-2p

FOR RENT—Nice 5-room house. See Roy W. Abbott at Herring National Bank. 10-4p

## Chickens Wanted.

Will pay highest market price for your chickens and eggs. Exchange Meat Market, Phone 619, Massie Vernon Grocery Co. 11-Stc

## Elliott Wins From Oklahoma.

The Elliott Junior Basketball boys defeated the Oklahoma Junior team at Elliott, Monday afternoon, 20 to 12.

## Record classified ads bring results.

An Ordinance No. 380  
An Ordinance No. 280, prohibiting begging or soliciting alms, within the corporate limits of the City of Vernon, Texas, without first having obtained a permit from the Mayor of said city granting such privilege, and providing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency. Be it ordained by the City Commission of the City of Vernon, Texas:

Section 1. That it shall hereafter be unlawful for any person to beg or solicit alms within the corporate limits of the City of Vernon, Texas, without first obtaining a permit from the Mayor or the Mayor's agent, granting such privilege.

Section 2. Before granting any person a permit as provided for in Section 1 of this ordinance, the Mayor or the Mayor's agent, shall inquire into the financial and physical conditions of the person applying therefor, and such person shall be required to answer, under oath, any questions that may be asked him by the Mayor, or the Mayor's agent, at his discretion may either grant or refuse to issue a permit to the person applying therefor, as the facts in his opinion may warrant. The Mayor or his agent shall also have the right to revoke any permit issued by him to limit the time a person may be permitted to use one of said permits.

Section 3. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to prevent soliciting of funds for local charity organizations.

Section 4. Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in any sum not exceeding Ten Dollars (\$10.00).

Section 5. The fact the City of Vernon, Texas, has no ordinances governing the practice of begging or soliciting of alms within the corporate limits of said City, creates an emergency and a necessity that the rule requiring ordinances to be read at more than one meeting of the City Commission be suspended, and said rule hereby suspended and this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication, and it is so ordered.

Passed unanimously under suspension of the rules at a regular session held on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1921.

Approved by the Mayor on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1921.

Witness my hand and seal of said city, this 10th day of February, 1921.

Attest: S. H. HALL, City Secretary, 9-21 PM. HARRY MANON, Mayor.

## E. M. ROGERS

REAL ESTATE AND FARM LOANS

Office—Wagoner National Bank Bldg.

Phone 364

## DID YOU KNOW?

—That the poultry-raising business in Wilbarger county is one of its most important industries?

—That during the year between \$75,000 and \$100,000 is paid in cash by Vernon poultry buyers to farmers for eggs and poultry.

—That poultry-raising is a sure crop in this county, and very profitable.

—That the demand is good all the time, and its cash on delivery every time?

## GET INTO THE BUSINESS.

In a modern way and you will succeed, and the modern way is to get a good strain of chickens and build up a larger flock, and take the risk out of your chicken breeding by buying

## THE SAFETY HATCH INCUBATOR

100 and 150 eggs, which gives the largest percentage of live chicks.

## STANDARD COLONY BROODER.

the most remarkable brooder ever invented—self-feeding, self-regulating, simple, safer, everlasting, saves labor, time and money.

YOU CAN GET WHAT YOU WANT AT OUR STORE  
**Swartwood & Co.**  
HARDWARE & HARNESS  
THE WINCHESTER STORE VERNON, TEXAS

## FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—One span of sixteen hand mare mules six years old. One fifteen hand mare mule six years old. Several fresh Jersey cows, 2,000 bushels of good ear corn. See W. O. Anderson at his office. 9-8c

FOR SALE—Fine Canna bulbs. Mrs. W. M. Schneider, Phone 181. 10-2p

FOR SALE—Fifteen first class S. C. R. L. Road Pullers, \$3 each. A ton of choice coals at \$10 each. Eggs \$2 per 15. Also S. C. White Leghorn eggs at \$1.50 per 15. Phone 300. 10-4p

FOR SALE—Cheap. An open car. R. B. Sherrill, 128 S. Dear Smith street. Phone 48 or 320. 11-4c

FOR SALE—At bargain. 54-inch oak dining room table in perfect condition. Mrs. R. B. Sherrill. Phone 48 or 320. 11-4c

FOR SALE—A limited number of eggs from my prize winning Single Comb Rhode Island Reds. Price \$2 and \$3 per setting of 5. J. E. Collins. 11-3c

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FOR SALE OR TRADE—For that estate, one Ford touring car in good condition. Will sell cheap. L. R. Jones at office. 3-4c

GET MORE EGGS by feeding "Martin's Egg Producer." Double your money back in eggs or your money back in cash. "Martin's Egg Producer" cures and prevents Roup. Absolutely guaranteed by P. M. Ferguson Drug Co. 82 1/2 St. 11-3p

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FOR SALE—Fine residences at a bargain. See us. T. P. Lisman & Son. 51-4p

## Lost.

LOST—Army document with "E. L. B." on lining. Finder please return to County Superintendent's office. E. L. Brimberg. 10-2p

LOST—Between J. E. Collins residence and Houson School Friday noon, an Ever-sharp pencil. Finder return to Frances Collins and receive reward. 11c

LOST—Raugh Tompkins watch chain, with "E" in center of fringe on streets of Vernon Saturday night. Leave at Leary's, and receive reward. W. C. Sailer. 11-2p

LOST—A red one-eyed horse, about 12 or 15 years old. Was seen somewhere in neighborhood of Rayland or Thalia. Will appreciate information as to whereabouts. W. M. McCall. 9-3p

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## VERNON OPERA HOUSE

Tuesday Night Feb. 22nd



## CURING POTATOES A SIMPLE MATTER, SAYS STATE EXPERT

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ther than those not treated and also taste better, said the expert. Curing tends to convert the starch into sugar and give them a richer flavor.

In dealing with means of financing the plant, Mr. Miller pointed out that at Texarkana growers signed notes for the amount required to build the house, and paid these off with their crop. The building was settled for the first year, he said.

Porto Rico and Nancy Hall potatoes are the most acceptable for market, said Mr. Miller. The Porto Rico variety keeps better than any other, and the only objection to it is the fact that it often grows too large.

### Agree on Digging Time.

Concerning filling the potato plant, Mr. Miller stated that it would be most desirable for growers to agree on a certain time for digging. The crop could then be brought to the plant during a certain period and a 5,000 bushel house should be filled within two weeks. The entire services of one man would be required only during the time the house is being filled. The cost of operation, then, would be the salary of the manager and the wages of extra help required at rush periods. The house would be filled only once during a season.

Forty-two thousand feet of lumber, most of it shiplap, would be required for the construction of a 5,000 bushel house, Mr. Miller said. The cost of building would be fifty cents for every bushel capacity.

At the close of the talk by the expert from A. and M., those present spent the remainder of the session in questioning him in detail concerning every phase of the sweet potato industry.

Following is the plan suggested by Mr. Miller for the establishment of a sweet potato curing plant here. It is known as the California plan and has been used with great success by the growers of that state.

**Vernon Sweet Potato Curing Co., Inc.**  
(1) This company shall consist of sweet potato growers and others interested in developing the sweet potato industry in the Vernon community.

(2) This stock shall consist of two kinds viz: (1) common stock owned exclusively by actual growers. (2) Preferred stock owned by others than growers.

(3) The preferred stock shall be for investment only and shall bring a specified dividend agreed upon. This stock shall have no voting power.

(4) The common stock shall receive the same rate of dividend as the preferred and shall have voting power, based on one vote for each stockholder.

(5) All growers who store potatoes shall be charged 20c per bushel at time of storage.

(6) The potatoes shall be pooled according to grade and sold co-operatively. At each shipment potatoes will be taken from each grower's stock in proportion to number of bushels stored.

(7) Each grower's potatoes shall be kept separate in the house until sold and each grower will be given credit at time of sale for the actual number of bushels or pounds sold from his stock of potatoes.

(8) Growers shall receive seventy-five per cent of the net price received for each car load sold less the twenty cents per bushel for storage charges, as soon as payment has been received for such sales. The 20 cents shall be used for expenses.

(9) After all potatoes have been sold, all expenses such as dividend on preferred and common stock, expenses for operating the house, etc., which were not paid for with the 20 cents per bushel charge, shall be deducted from the 25 per cent still due the growers and the balance prorated to the growers in proportion to the amount still due them.

(10) Complete records are to be kept of all transactions and the books audited at least once a year.

### Kinchee Buildings Completed.

The Kinchee buildings on W. Pease St. are practically completed, according to a contractor in charge of the work and two of the stores spaces are ready for occupancy with another promised in the next few days. The steam heating system in the building is said to be one of the largest and most complete systems in the State. One hundred radiators will be supplied from the boiler. All that remains to be done to the Kinchee structures is to set glass in the front of one of the store spaces.

### Kerosene Is Cheaper.

Kerosene only 12c a gallon. Buy it by the barrel or gallon at BROWN'S CASH GROC.

Elder J. T. Cate is conducting a two week revival in Thalia, for the Church of Christ.

## DRILLERS CONTINUE BUSY

Pyramid Well Is Nearing Completion—H. and E. Encounters Rock Early In Week.

Drillers on the Pyramid well are still busy making final touches in completing the hole and are now engaged in straight reaming and will go down the hole once more with a roller bit. The time for completion of the well is not yet definitely known.

The H. and E., which snegged in early in the week, encountered rock at a shallow depth and has experienced some difficulty with tools. Steady progress is reported, however, and inclement weather is not expected to materially slow up operations.

No new developments are reported for the B. Churchill. The hole is down about 1,700 feet, one of the officials stated, and boiler trouble, which halted progress a week ago, has been eliminated.

## ELLIOTT CLUB DISCUSSED POULTRY AND GARDENING

The Elliott Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. C. B. Mason at her home, one mile from Elliott, Monday afternoon.

After singing some familiar songs the members discussed poultry and gardening. Plans were made for an all day meeting at Mrs. Crim's home February 28 at which hat making will be demonstrated.

Those present were: Mesdames Pearl Lemons, Drue Baggett, Grady Ashley, Walter Kirk, Edd Waggoner, M. A. Patton, J. H. Downs, Mary Edwards, J. R. Lemons, Ruth Goss, J. W. Swinney, J. R. Glover, Charlie Cox, Hobart Rainwater, F. H. Henderson, F. E. Hutchins, S. H. Kirk, E. E. Snodgrass, H. W. Jackson, Sarah Dillon, C. B. Henry, R. A. Rivers, D. M. Julian, R. B. Wilkerson, Neil Noyes, E. M. Yerby, W. T. Hutchins, R. L. Luttrell, W. E. Crim, Joe Boaz, P. C. Rainwater, F. H. Steinman, Chas. W. Taylor, E. A. Birch of Floydada, W. F. Birch of Floydada, Verda Snodderly of New Mexico; and Misses Estelle Kirk, Sue Grille of Harrold, Edna Goodfellow and Edith Lacey both of Vernon.

## JUNIOR DIRECTORS MET WITH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Newly elected junior directors of the Chamber of Commerce met last night for the first time with the executive committee of the commercial organization to have outlined to them the duties they are expected to execute in the future in reference to chamber of commerce work. They were told they are expected to assist the senior directors and the executive committee in carrying out the policies of the Chamber of Commerce and at the same time receive training for service to the institution in the future.

The junior directors present at the meeting were C. R. Holder, E. M. Haney, Curtis Renfro, P. H. Robinson, Jr., A. D. Shepherd, Roy Abbott, C. F. Swartwood, E. L. McCarter, W. T. Berry, Howard Timberlake, Walter B. McCall, Elzie Youngblood, Joe Parker, T. L. Rouse, Chauncey Puckett, A. A. Hingst, and Sam Napier.

### Marvin Sharp Injured In Fall.

Marvin Sharp, a young farmer living east of town, was painfully injured Tuesday when he fell from a wagon load of oats he was delivering to the Ferguson and Martin Coal Co., on W. Texas street. Sharp struck the paving on the back of his head and until late in the night did not regain his faculties. He was removing the cover from the oats when he stepped out over the back of the wagon. His condition is reported as much improved.

### Big Fire at Brownwood.

Following a mysterious explosion in Brownwood Monday, fire wiped out an entire business block at a loss of \$250,000. Business houses destroyed included the R. B. Rogers Dry Goods Co., Dixie Theatre, Moore Construction Company, Brownwood Electric Company, and the Coggin National Bank was damaged. Authorities believe burglars attempted to blow a safe in the theater where the fire started.

### Artists Might Have Come Here.

Eight well-known Victor artists who will appear in Wichita Falls March 1 might have come to Vernon had accommodations here been more adequate, according to one local dealer who has charge of the Vernon seat sale. Local theaters are too small to handle an audience large enough to pay for bringing the musicians here. A block of fifty seats has been reserved for persons from Vernon.

### Kerosene Is Cheaper.

Kerosene only 12c a gallon. Buy it by the barrel or gallon at BROWN'S CASH GROC.

### Have Free Maps of Highway.

One hundred free maps of the Colorado-Gulf Highway Association have been received by the Chamber of Commerce. They cover the entire route from Galveston to the Rockies.

### G-U Money.

We have plenty of loan on improved farms. Davis & Summerour.

## HOW TO STOP THAT HICCOUGH.



The Medical Society of French Hospitals has found that hiccoughs may be stopped in a simple way by pressing the index finger firmly on the fifth cervical nerve. Dr. Royal S. Copola, Health Commissioner of New York City, is shown in the photograph illustrating the French method.

## STATE GETS \$74,000 IN TAXES FROM WILBARGER

Over \$74,000 has been forwarded by the county collector to the state department for taxes collected here during the season just passed. This includes all taxes except those paid for automobiles.

According to C. M. Blair, collector, five or six hundred owners in Wilbarger county have not as yet paid for their new licenses. They are liable to arrest at any time, Mr. Blair said, unless this obligation is promptly met. Plenty of seals are on hand at the local office in the court house.

F. M. Brown of Wichita Falls is now with the Vernon drug store. Mr. Brown was formerly connected with the establishment during 1919. He takes the place left vacant by the resignation of Jack Barnes.

## BRICK LAYERS REDUCE WAGES.

Men Agree to Scale of \$12 a Day During Next Year Beginning March 1.

A reduction of \$2 a day in wages has been agreed to by brick layers. The lower price takes effect March 1, and will continue in effect for twelve months. The former schedule was \$14 a day.

This agreement was made between the workers and Contractors J. O. Dove, J. A. Carney, O. A. Swinburn, and Allen & Davis.

This reduction will tend to give stability to business, is the way one of the men put it, and we had rather have that than to have \$14 a day for a time, with a slight reduction, and a further reduction later on.

See us for money on farms. Davis & Summerour.

## At The Churches

### Methodist.

REV. S. W. HAYNE, Pastor.  
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.  
Morning preaching service at 11 a. m. Subject—"The Testimony of Experience to the Diary of Jesus."  
Epworth League at 6 p. m.  
Evening church service at 7 o'clock. Subject—"I Am Debtor."  
Prayer meeting at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday.

### Central Christian.

GUS RAMAGE, Pastor.  
Bible School for all ages at 9:45 a. m. Communion service and morning sermon at 11 a. m.  
Evening sermon at 7:15 o'clock. Subject—"The Way of the Cross," illustrated with chart.  
Prayer meeting at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening.  
Children's story hour and supervised play, Saturday at 3 o'clock.

### Church of Christ.

FOY E. WALLACE, Jr., Evangelist.  
Bible School at 9:45 a. m.  
Preaching at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m.  
Lord's Supper at 12 m., every Lord's Day.

### Baptist.

REV. W. T. ROUSE, Pastor.  
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.  
Morning preaching service at 11 a. m.

The theme for the Sunday morning sermon at the First Baptist Church will be "The Cursing Church Member." Sunbeams and Junior Union at 2:30 p. m.

Senior B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m.  
Evening preaching service at 7:20 p. m.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:15.

There will be eight active deacons chosen by the church Sunday morning. Every member urged to be present.

### Lutheran.

REV. J. A. BIRNBAUM, Pastor.  
Church service at 10:30 a. m.

### Presbyterian.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.

### Christian Science.

Services are held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the City Hall auditorium.

### Negro Wanted On Theft Charge.

Clim Williams, a negro wanted in Chillicothe on a theft charge, was taken into custody here Sunday evening by Deputy Sheriff J. W. Carrington. He was held until officers from Chillicothe came here Monday.

### Lister Points.

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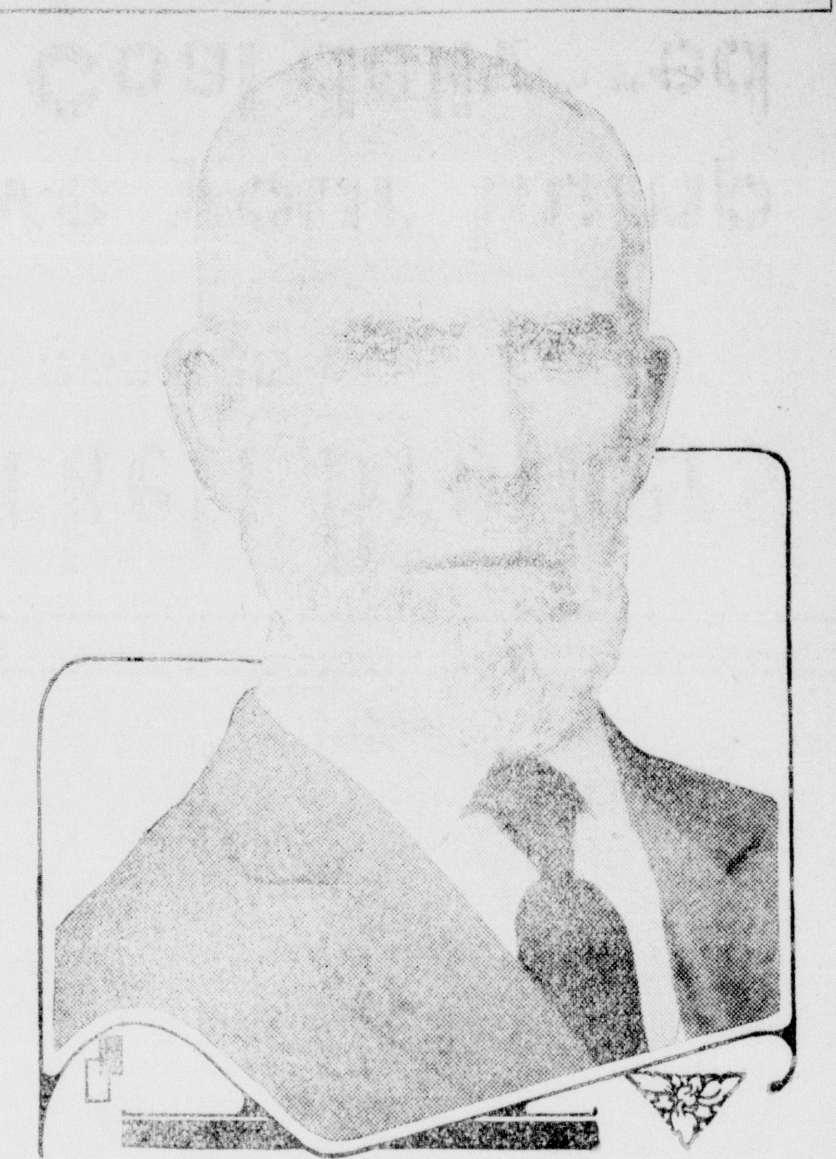
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## Quaker Minister Is Grateful to Tanlac



Rev. Parker Moon

Nearly everybody in Southwest Missouri either knows or has heard of the Rev. Parker Moon, who for a full half century has devoted his life and talents to Sunday school and organization work for the Society of Friends or Quakers.

"Uncle Parker," as he is more familiarly known, came from fine old rugged Quaker stock, and there is not a better known or more highly respected citizen in that part of the state. In referring to his remarkable restoration to health by Tanlac, he said:

"About five years ago I suffered a general breakdown. My principal trouble was nervous indigestion. My appetite was very poor and my food seldom agreed with me, and I had to live on a very restricted diet. I suffered a great deal from headaches and dizzy spells; I had severe pains across the small of my back and was badly constipated most of the time. In fact, I was so weak and rundown I was not able to attend to my duties.

"This condition made me very nervous and I could not sleep at night. Frequently I would lie awake most all night and was in that condition more or less for five years. My physician said he could not do anything for me and suggested a change of climate. I then moved to Texas and went back and forth three times but did not get the relief I had hoped for. Finally, I got so bad or I was not able to get around with any degree of comfort. I was also told I had heart trouble.

"I had read about Tanlac and, as it had been very highly recommended to me, I decided to try it. I got a bottle and had taken only a few doses until I could notice a marked improvement in my condition. I noticed especially that I was not troubled any more with sour stomach after eating, which was a great relief.

"I kept on taking Tanlac until I fully regained my health. My appetite is splendid; I enjoy my meals and I do not find it necessary now to take my laxative medicines of any kind. I can sleep much better and am not nearly so nervous.

"I take great pleasure in recommending Tanlac to anyone who needs a good system builder, or who suffers with stomach trouble. I have recommended Tanlac to a great many of my friends and am pleased to reach others by giving this statement for publication."

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